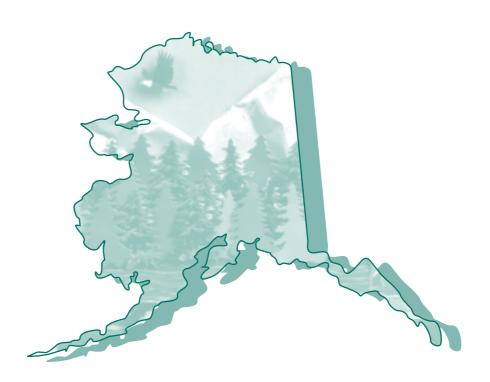
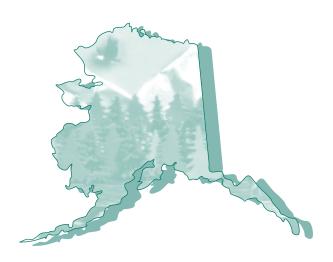
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As the Nation's principal conservation agency, the Department of the Interior has responsibility for most of our nationally owned public lands and natural resources. This includes fostering the wisest use of our land and water resources, protecting our fish and wildlife, preserving the environmental and cultural values of our national parks and historical places, and providing for the enjoyment of life through outdoor recreation. The Department assesses our energy and mineral resources and works to assure their development in the best interests of all our people. The Department also has a major responsibility for American Indian reservation communities and for people who live in island territories under U.S. administration.

The mission of the Department's Fish and Wildlife Service is to conserve, protect, and enhance fish and wildlife and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. The Service is responsible for national programs of vital importance to our natural resources, including administration of the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration and the Federal Aid of Wildlife Restoration Programs. These two grant programs provide financial assistance to the States for projects to enhance and protect fish and wildlife resources and to assure their availability to the public for recreational purposes. Funds from the administrative portion of these programs are used to pay for the National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation.



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### **Foreword**

Ours is a country with a rich tradition of enjoying nature. Whether casting a fly or snapping a shutter, Americans find wildlifeassociated recreation a source of lifelong enjoyment and renewal.

The results of the 1996 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation reflect this national passion for wild things and wild places. Seventy-seven million Americans 16 years or older, or 40 percent of the adult population, enjoyed some form of wildlife-related recreation during 1996. In doing so, they pumped \$100 billion into the national economy, supporting hundreds of thousands of jobs.

The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is to conserve and enhance our nation's fish and wildlife and its habitat. The Service works in partnership with state wildlife agencies, conservation organizations, sportsmen's groups, local governments, corporations, and individual citizens to perform this mission.

For conservation efforts to be effective, however, natural resource managers need detailed information on how people use fish and wildlife resources. The 1996 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and

Wildlife-Associated Recreation is the most comprehensive survey of its kind. It is an important tool for natural resource professionals in planning and managing these resources for the enjoyment and benefit of all Americans.

The 1996 Survey was requested by the States through the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. It is the ninth in a series of surveys on resource use by anglers, hunters, and those who enjoy observing wildlife. The Survey has been sponsored by the Service since 1955. It is financed by hunters, anglers, and boaters through excise taxes on sporting arms, ammunition, fishing equipment, and motorboat fuels as authorized under the Federal Aid in Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration Acts.

We can all be gratified that wildlife-related recreation and the conservation ethic that flows from it remain strong in America.

Jamie Rappaport Clark, Director Fish and Wildlife Service U.S. Department of the Interior

### Survey Background and Method

The National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (Survey) has been conducted since 1955 and is one of the oldest and most comprehensive continuing recreation surveys. The purpose of the Survey is to gather information on the number of anglers, hunters, and wildlifewatching participants (formerly known as primary nonconsumptive wildlife-related participants) in the United States. Information also is collected on how often these recreationists participate and how much they spend on their activities.

The planning process for the 1996 Survey began in 1994 when the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (IAFWA) passed a resolution asking the Fish and Wildlife Service to conduct the ninth National Survey of wildlife-related recreation. Funding for the Survey came from the administrative portion of the Federal Aid in Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration Programs.

Consultations with State and Federal agencies and nongovernmental organizations such as the Wildlife Management Institute, American Sportfishing Association, B.A.S.S., Inc., Wild Bird Feeding Institute, and American Fisheries Society started in early 1994 to ascertain survey content. Other sportsmen's organizations and conservation groups, industry representatives, and researchers also provided valuable advice on questionnaire development, data collection, and reporting.

Four regional technical committees were set up under the auspices of the IAFWA to ensure that State fish and wildlife agencies had an opportunity to participate in all phases of survey planning and design. The committees were made up of agency representatives.

The Survey was conducted in two phases by the U.S. Bureau of Census for the Fish and Wildlife Service. The first phase was the screen which began in April 1996. During the screening phase, the Bureau of Census interviewed a sample of 80,000 households nationwide, primarily by telephone, to determine who in the household had fished, hunted, or engaged in wildlife-watching activities in 1995, and who had engaged or planned to engage in those activities in 1996. In most cases, one adult household member provided information for all household members. It is important to note that the screen primarily covered 1995 activities while the next, more in-depth phase covered 1996 activities. For more information on the 1995 data. refer to Appendix B.

The second phase of the Survey consisted of detailed interviews conducted about every four months. The first interview wave began in April 1996, the second in September 1996, and the last in January 1997. Interviews were conducted with samples of likely anglers, hunters, and wildlife-watching participants who were identified in the initial screening phase. These interviews were conducted primarily by

telephone, with in-person interviews for those respondents who could not be reached by telephone. Respondents in the second survey phase were limited to those at least 16 years old. Each respondent provided information pertaining only to his or her activities and expenditures. Sample sizes were designed to provide statistically reliable results at the State level for fishing, hunting, and wildlifewatching activities. Altogether, interviews were completed for 22,578 anglers and hunters and 11,759 wildlife watchers. More detailed information on sampling procedures and response rates is found in Appendix D.

# Comparability with Previous Surveys

The 1996 Survey questions and methodology were similar to those used in the 1991 Survey. Therefore, the 1996 estimates are comparable to the 1991 estimates. The 1996

Survey was the first to use computerassisted interviews which improved the efficiency and timeliness of data collection.

The methodology of the 1996 and 1991 Surveys did differ significantly from the 1985 and 1980 Surveys, so their estimates are not directly comparable to those earlier surveys. The changes in methodology included reducing the recall period over which respondents had to remember their activities and expenditures. Previous Surveys used a 12-month recall period which resulted in greater reporting bias. Research on recall bias found that the amount of activity and expenditures reported in 12-month recall Surveys was over-estimated in comparison with the amount reported in shorter recall periods.

The trends information presented in this report takes the differences of the 1991 Survey into account in comparing its estimates with those of the 1996 Survey. See the Summary Section and Appendix C.

# Highlights

### Introduction

The National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation reports results from interviews with U.S. residents about their fishing, hunting, and other fish- and wildlife-related recreation. This report focuses on 1996 participation and expenditures of U.S. residents 16 years of age and older.

The numbers reported can be compared with those in the 1991 Survey reports. The methodology used in 1996 was similar to that used in 1991. These results should not be directly compared with the results from Surveys earlier than 1991 because of changes in methodology. These changes in methodology were made in 1991 and 1996 to improve accuracy in the information provided.

The report also provides information on participation in wildlife-related recreation in 1995, particularly of persons 6 to 15 years of age. The 1995 information is provided in Appendix B. Additional information about the scope and coverage of the Survey can be found in the Survey Background and Method section of this report. The remainder of this section defines important terms used in the Survey.

### Wildlife-Associated Recreation

Wildlife-associated recreation includes fishing, hunting, and wildlife-watching activities. These categories are not mutually exclusive because many individuals enjoyed fish and wildlife in several ways in 1996. Wildlife-associated recreation is reported in two major categories: (1) fishing and hunting, and (2) wildlife watching (formerly referred to as nonconsumptive wildlife-related recreation). Wildlife-watching includes observing, photographing, and feeding fish and wildlife.

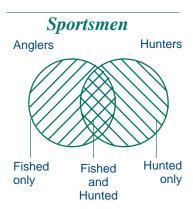
### Fishing and Hunting

This Survey reports information about residents of the United States who fished or hunted in 1996, regardless of whether they were licensed. The fishing and hunting sections of this report are organized to report three groups:

- (1) sportsmen, (2) anglers, and
- (3) hunters.

### Sportsmen

Sportsmen are persons who fished or hunted. Individuals who fished or hunted commercially in 1996 are reported as sportsmen only if they fished or hunted for recreation. The sportsmen group is composed of the three subgroups in the diagram below: (1) those who fished and



hunted, (2) those who only fished, and (3) those who only hunted. The total number of sportsmen is equal to the sum of people who only fished, only hunted, and both hunted and fished. It is not the sum of all anglers and all hunters, because those people who both fished and hunted are included in both the angler and hunter population and would be incorrectly counted twice.

### **Anglers**

Anglers are sportsmen who only fished plus those who fished and hunted. The angler group includes not only licensed hook and line anglers, but also those who have no license and those who use special methods such as fishing with spears. Three types of fishing are reported: (1) freshwater, excluding the Great Lakes, (2) Great Lakes, and (3) saltwater. Since many anglers enjoyed more than one type of fishing, the total number of anglers is less than the sum of the three types of fishing.

### **Hunters**

Hunters are sportsmen who only hunted plus those who hunted and fished. The hunter group includes not only licensed hunters using common hunting practices, but also those who have no license and those who engaged in hunting with a bow and arrow, muzzleloader, other primitive firearms, or a pistol or handgun. Four types of hunting are

reported: (1) big game, (2) small game, (3) migratory bird, and (4) other animals. Since many hunters enjoyed more than one type of hunting, the sum of hunters for big game, small game, migratory bird, and other animals exceeds the total number of hunters.

# Wildlife-Watching Activities

(formerly Nonconsumptive Wildlife-Related Recreation)

Since 1980, the National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation has included information on wildlife-watching activities in addition to fishing and hunting. However, the 1991 and 1996 Surveys, unlike the 1980 and 1985 Surveys, collected data only for those activities where the primary purpose was wildlife watching (observing, photographing, or feeding wildlife). Secondary wildlife-watching activities, such as incidentally observing wildlife while pleasure driving, are not included.

Many people, including sportsmen, enjoyed wildlife-related recreation other than fishing or hunting. We refer to these nonharvesting activities, such as observing, feeding, or photographing fish and other wildlife, as wildlife-watching activities. Two types of wildlife-watching activity are reported: (1) nonresidential and (2) residential. Because some people participate in more than one type of

wildlife-watching activity, the sum of participants in each type will be greater than the total number of wildlife-watching participants. Only those engaged in activities whose primary purpose was wildlife watching are included in the Survey. The two types of wildlife-watching activities are defined below.

#### Nonresidential

This group included persons who took trips or outings of at least 1 mile for the primary purpose of observing, feeding, or photographing fish and wildlife. Trips to fish or hunt or scout and trips to zoos, circuses, aquariums, and museums were not considered wildlife-watching activities.

#### Residential

This group included those whose activities are within 1 mile of home and involve one or more of the following: (1) closely observing or trying to identify birds or other wildlife; (2) photographing wildlife; (3) feeding birds or other wildlife on a regular basis; (4) maintaining natural areas of at least one-quarter acre where benefit to wildlife is the primary concern; (5) maintaining plantings (shrubs, agricultural crops, etc.) where benefit to wildlife is the primary concern; or (6) visiting public parks within 1 mile of home for the primary purpose of observing, feeding, or photographing wildlife.

### **Detail of Tables**

### **Summary**

### Activities in the U.S. by Alaska Residents 16 Years Old and Older

### Activities by Participants 16 Years Old and Older in Alaska

### **Fishing**

Anglers	178,000
Days of fishing	3,218,000
Average days per angler	18
Total expenditures	\$216,519,000
Trip-related	\$125,640,000
Equipment and other	\$90,879,000
Average per angler	\$1,218
Average trip expenditure per day	\$39

#### **Fishing**

Anglers	463,000
Days of fishing	5,331,000
Average days per angler	12
Total expenditures	\$548,365,000
Trip-related	\$439,915,000
Equipment and other	\$108,450,000
Average per angler	\$1,180
Average trip expenditure per day	\$83

### Hunting

Hunters	66,000
Days of hunting	1,031,000
Average days per hunter	16
Total expenditures	\$143,667,000
Trip-related	\$53,893,000
Equipment and other	\$89,774,000
Average per hunter	\$2,160
Average trip expenditure per day	\$52

### Hunting

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Hunters	73,000
Days of hunting	1,067,000
Average days per hunter	15
Total expenditures	\$198,436,000
Trip-related	\$95,695,000
Equipment and other	\$102,741,000
Average per hunter	\$2,510
Average trip expenditure per day	\$90

### Wildlife Watching

Total wildlife-watching participant	s 216,000
Nonresidential	128,000
Residential	204,000
Total expenditures	\$239,714,000
Trip-related	\$104,983,000
Equipment and other	\$134,731,000
Average per participant	\$1,111

### Wildlife Watching

Total wildlife-watching participant	s 499,000
Nonresidential	407,000
Residential	204,000
Total expenditures	\$780,531,000
Trip-related	\$652,346,000
Equipment and other	\$128,185,000
Average per participant	\$1,555

### Wildlife-Associated Recreation

# Participation by Alaska Residents

The 1996 Survey revealed that 279 thousand Alaskan residents 16 years old and older engaged in fishing, hunting, or wildlifewatching activities. Of the total number of participants, 178 thousand fished, 66 thousand hunted, and 216 thousand participated in wildlife-watching activities where the enjoyment of wildlife was the primary purpose of the activity. Wildlife-watching activities included observing, feeding, and photographing wildlife.

The sum of anglers, hunters, and wildlife-watching participants

exceeds the total number of participants in wildlife-related recreation because many individuals engaged in more than one wildlife-related activity.

### Expenditures in Alaska

In 1996, state residents and nonresidents spent \$1.7 billion on wildlife-associated recreation in Alaska. Of that total, trip-related expenditures were \$1.2 billion and equipment purchases totaled \$447 million. The remaining \$26 million was spent on licenses, contributions, land ownership and leasing, and other items and services.

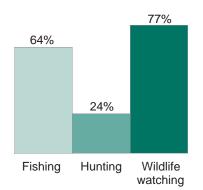
### Participants in Wildlife-Associated Recreation

(State residents 16 years old and older)

Total		279 thousand
	Sportsmen	
Total		187 thousand
Anglers		178 thousand
Hunters		66 thousand
	Wildlife Watching	
Total		216 thousand
Residential		204 thousand
Nonresidential		128 thousand
Source: Table 3, 28, 39, and	l other survey data	
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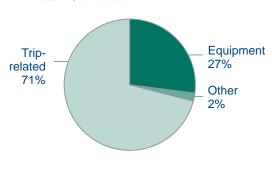
### Percent of State Residents Participating, by Activity

Total = 100%



### In-State Wildlife-Associated Recreation Expenditures

 $Total = $1.7 \ billion$ 



### **Sportsmen**

In 1996, there were 476 thousand state resident and nonresident sportsmen 16 years old and older who fished or hunted in Alaska. This group included 463 thousand anglers (97 percent of all sportsmen) and 73 thousand hunters (15 percent of all sportsmen). Of the 476 thousand sportsmen who fished

or hunted in the state, 403 thousand (85%) fished but did not hunt in Alaska. Another 13 thousand (3%) hunted but did not fish there. The remaining 60 thousand (13%) fished and hunted in Alaska in 1996.

### **Sportsmen Participation in State**

(State residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older)

Sportsmen (fished or hunted)	476 thousand
Anglers	463 thousand
Fished only	403 thousand
Fished and hunted	60 thousand
Hunters	73 thousand
Hunted only	13 thousand
Hunted and fished	60 thousand
Source: Table 1	
Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.	

### **Anglers**

# Participants and Days of Fishing

In 1996, there were 463 thousand state residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older who fished in Alaska. Of this total, 176 thousand anglers (38%) were state residents and 287 thousand anglers (62%) were nonresidents. Anglers fished a total of 5.3 million days in Alaska—an average of 12 days per angler. State residents fished 3.2 million days, 60 percent of all fishing days within Alaska, while nonresidents fished 2.1 million days—40 percent of all fishing days in the state.

There were 178 thousand Alaskans 16 years old and older who fished

in the United States in 1996. These anglers fished a total of 3.2 million days. Approximately 176 thousand resident anglers (99%) fished in Alaska. They spent 3.2 million days, 99 percent of their total fishing days, fishing in their resident state.

Some state residents fished only in other states or fished in other states as well as Alaska. In 1996, 9 thousand anglers fished in other states, 5 percent of the resident angler total. They fished 33 thousand days as nonresidents, representing 1 percent of all days fished by Alaskan residents. For further details about fishing in Alaska, see Table 3.

### **Anglers in State**

(State residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older)

Anglers Resident Nonresident	463 thousand 176 thousand 287 thousand
Days of Fishing Resident Nonresident	5.3 million 3.2 million 2.1 million
Source: Table 3	

#### In-State/Out-of-State

(State residents 16 years old and older)

Alaska anglers In Alaska In other states	178 thousand 176 thousand 9 thousand
Days of fishing	3.2 million
In Alaska	3.2 million
In other states	33 thousand
Source: Table 3	
Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.	

# Fishing Expenditures in Alaska

Anglers 16 years old and older spent \$548 million on fishing expenses in Alaska in 1996. Trip-related expenditures including food and lodging, transportation, and other expenses such as equipment rental or boat fuel, totaled \$440 million, 80 percent of all their fishing expenditures. They spent \$173 million on food and lodging and \$143 million on transportation. Other trip-related expenses such

as equipment rental, bait, and fuel totaled \$124 million. Each angler spent an average of \$950 on triprelated costs during 1996.

Anglers spent \$96 million on equipment in Alaska in 1996, 18 percent of all fishing expenditures. Fishing equipment (rods, reels, line, etc.) totaled \$34 million, 35 percent of the equipment total. Auxiliary equipment expenditures (tents, special fishing clothes, etc.) and special equipment expenditures (boats, trail bikes, etc.) amounted to \$62 million, 65 percent of the

equipment total. Special and auxiliary equipment are items that were purchased primarily for fishing, but could be used in activities other than fishing.

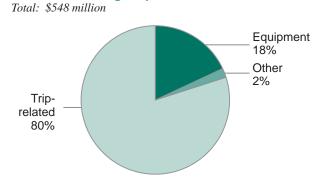
The purchase of other items such as magazines, membership dues, licenses, permits, stamps, and land leasing and ownership amounted to \$12 million—2 percent of all fishing expenditures. For more details about fishing expenditures in Alaska, see Tables 18, 20, and 21.

#### **In-State Fishing Expenditures**

(State residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older)

Total	\$548 million
Trip-related Equipment Fishing Auxiliary and special Other	\$440 million \$96 million \$34 million \$62 million \$12 million
Source: Table 18	

#### **In-State Fishing Expenditures**



### **Hunters**

# Participants and Days of Hunting

In 1996, there were 73 thousand residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older who hunted in Alaska. Resident hunters numbered 65 thousand, accounting for 89 percent of the hunters in Alaska. Residents and nonresidents hunted 1 million days in 1996—an average of 15 days per hunter. Residents hunted on 991 thousand days in Alaska or 93 percent of all hunting days.

Hunting in Alaska by nonresidents and days of hunting by nonresidents were not reported because the sample sizes were too small to report the data reliably. There were 66 thousand Alaskan residents 16 years old and older who hunted in the United States in 1996. Of the total 1 million days of hunting by state residents, 991 thousand days (92 percent of the total) were spent pursuing game within Alaska.

Some state residents hunted only in another state or in another state as well as in Alaska. Altogether, 6 thousand Alaska hunters, 8 percent of the total, hunted as nonresidents in other states. Their 40 thousand days of hunting in other states represented 4 percent of all days Alaska residents spent hunting in 1996. For more information on hunting activities by Alaska residents, see Table 3.

#### **Hunters in State**

(State residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older)

Hunters Resident Nonresident	73 thousand 65 thousand **
Days of hunting Resident Nonresident	1.1 million 991 thousand **
Source: Table 3  **Sample size too small to report data reliably.	

#### In-State/Out-of-State

(State residents 16 years old and older)

Alaska hunters In Alaska In other states	66 thousand 65 thousand 6 thousand
Days of hunting In Alaska In other states	1.0 million 991 thousand 40 thousand
Source: Table 3  Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.	

## Hunting Expenditures in Alaska

Hunters 16 years old and older spent \$198 million in Alaska in 1996. Trip-related expenses such as food and lodging, transportation, and other trip costs, including equipment rental fees, cost hunters \$96 million, 48 percent of their total expenditures. They spent \$19 million on food and lodging and \$30 million on transportation. Other expenses such as equipment rental totaled \$47 million for the year. The

average trip-related expenditure per hunter was \$1,305.

Hunters spent \$95 million on equipment, 48 percent of all hunting expenditures. Hunting equipment (guns, ammunition, etc.) comprised 27 percent of all equipment costs, \$25 million. Hunters spent \$70 million on auxiliary equipment (tents, special hunting clothes, etc.) and special equipment (boats, trail bikes, etc.), accounting for 73 percent of total equipment expenditures for hunting. Special and auxiliary equipment are items

that were purchased primarily for hunting but could be used in activities other than hunting.

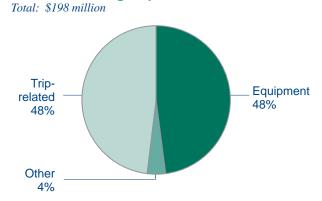
The purchase of other items such as magazines, membership dues, licenses, permits, and land leasing and ownership cost hunters \$8 million—4 percent of all hunting expenditures. For more details on hunting expenditures in Alaska, see Tables 19, 20, and 21.

#### **In-State Hunting Expenditures**

(State residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older)

Total	\$198 million
Trip-related	\$96 million
Equipment	\$95 million
Hunting	\$25 million
Auxiliary and special	\$70 million
Other	\$8 million

#### **In-State Hunting Expenditures**



### Wildlife-Watching Activities

# Participants and Days of Activity

In 1996, approximately 216 thousand state residents 16 years old and older participated in wildlifewatching activities such as observing, feeding, or photographing wildlife. Some state residents enjoyed their activities close to home and are called "residential" participants. There were 204 thousand residential participants in Alaska in 1996.

Those persons whose primary purpose was to enjoy wildlife at least 1 mile from home are called "nonresidential" participants. People participating in nonresidential activities in Alaska in 1996 numbered 407 thousand, of which 122 thousand were state residents and 285 thousand were nonresidents.

In 1996, more than 122 thousand Alaskans 16 years old and older enjoyed nonresidential wildlifewatching recreation activities within their state of residence. Of this group, 118 thousand participants observed wildlife, 92 thousand photographed wildlife, and 19 thousand fed wildlife. Since some individuals engaged in more than one of the three nonresidential activities during the year, the sum of wildlife observers, feeders, and photographers exceeds the total number of nonresidential participants.

#### **Nonresidential In-State**

(State residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older)

Participants, total Observe wildlife Photograph wildlife Feed wildlife	407 thousand 403 thousand 375 thousand 29 thousand
Days, total Observe wildlife Photograph wildlife Feed wildlife	5.7 million 4.5 million 513 thousand 3.2 million
Source: Table 30  Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.	

Alaskans spent 2.4 million days engaged in nonresidential wildlifewatching activities in their state. During 1996, they spent 1.7 million days observing wildlife, 878 thousand days photographing wildlife, and 402 thousand days feeding wildlife. The sum of days observing, feeding, and photographing wildlife-watching activity because individuals may have engaged in more than one activity on some days. For further details about nonresidential activities, see Table 30.

Alaska residents also took an active interest in wildlife around their homes. In 1996, 204 thousand state residents enjoyed observing, feeding, and photo-graphing wildlife within 1 mile of their homes. Of this residential group, 155 thousand photographed wildlife around their homes; 142 thousand fed wildlife; and 127 thousand observed wildlife. Another 44 thousand participants maintained natural areas of 1/4 acre or more for the primary benefit of wildlife; 39 thousand residential participants visited public parks

and natural areas within a mile of home; and 19 thousand participants maintained plantings for the benefit of wildlife. Adding the participants in these six activities results in a sum that exceeds the total number of residential participants because many people participated in more than one type of residential activity. For further details about Alaska residents participating in residential wildlife-watching activities, see Table 33.

#### **Residential Participants**

(State residents 16 years old and older)

155 thousand 142 thousand
407 (1-20-20-1
127 thousand
44 thousand
39 thousand
19 thousand

### Wildlife-Watching Expenditures in Alaska

Participants 16 years old and older spent \$781 million on wildlifewatching activities in Alaska in 1996. Trip-related expenditures for wildlife watching, including food and lodging (\$311 million), transportation (\$163 million), and other expenses such as equipment rental (\$179 million) amounted to \$652 million—84 percent of all wildlife-watching expenditures by participants. The average trip-related expenditure for nonresidential participants was \$1,602 per person in 1996.

Wildlife-watching participants spent a total of \$123 million on equipment—16 percent of all their expenditures. Specifically, wildlife-watching equipment (binoculars, special clothing, etc.) totaled \$61 million, 49 percent of the equipment total. Auxiliary equipment expenditures (tents, backpacking equipment, etc.) and special equipment expenditures (campers, trucks, etc.) amounted to \$62 million, 51 percent of all equipment costs. Special and auxiliary equipment are items that were purchased primarily for wildlife-watching recreation but could be used in activities other than wildlife-watching activities.

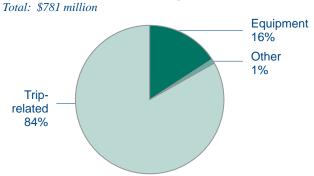
Other items purchased by wildlifewatching participants such as magazines, membership dues, contributions, land leasing and ownership, and plantings totaled \$5 million—1 percent of all wildlife-watching expenditures. For more details about wildlifewatching expenditures in Alaska, see Table 35.

#### In-State Wildlife-Watching Expenditures

(State residents and nonresidents 16 years old and older)



### In-State Wildlife-Watching Expenditures



### 1991-1996 Survey Comparisons

Comparing the estimates from the 1991 and 1996 National Surveys provides a picture of wildlife-related recreation in the 1990's in Alaska. Only the most general recreation estimates are presented here.

The correct way to compare estimates from two surveys is not to compare the estimates themselves, but to compare the confidence intervals around the estimates. A 90-percent confidence interval around an estimate gives the range of estimates that 90 percent of all possible representative samples would provide. If the 90-percent confidence intervals of two estimates overlap, it is not possible to say the two estimates are statistically different.

The state resident estimates cover the participation and expenditure activity of Alaska residents anywhere in the U.S. The in-state estimates cover the participation, day, and expenditure activity of U.S. residents in Alaska.

The expenditure estimates were made comparable by correcting the 1991 estimate for inflation and subtracting from the 1996 estimate the items that were not included in 1991. These expenditure estimates will not match the estimates presented elsewhere in this report.

#### **Fishing**

(Numbers in thousands)

	1991	1996	Percent change	
State resident anglers	141	178	26%	
Anglers in-state	309	463	50%	
Days in-state	2,989	5,331	*	
In-state trip-related				
expenditures	\$275,939	\$438,688	*	
Total expenditures				
by state residents	\$239,166	\$215,383	*	
* No change at the 90-percent level of significance.				

#### Hunting

(Numbers in thousands)

	1991	1996	Percent change		
State resident hunters	55	66	*		
Hunters in-state	69	73	*		
Days in-state	847	1,067	*		
In-state trip-related					
expenditures	\$51,063	\$86,615	*		
Total expenditures					
by state residents	\$102,055	\$134,599	*		
* No change at the 90-percent level of significance.					

### **Nonresidential Wildlife Watching**

(Numbers in thousands)

	1991	1996	Percent change
State resident participants	143	128	*
Participants in-state	340	407	*
Days in-state	3,745	5,689	*

#### **Residential Wildlife Watching**

(Numbers in thousands)

	1991	1996	Percent change
Total participants Observers Feeders	216 176 146	204 127 142	* -28% *
* No change at the 90-perce	ent level of significe	ance.	

#### Wildlife-Watching Expenditures

(Numbers in thousands)

	1991	1996	Percent change	
Trip-related expenditures by state residents Total expenditures	\$56,476	\$104,983	86%	
by state residents	\$166,096	\$238,850	*	
* No change at the 90-percent level of significance.				

# **Guide to Statistical Tables**

# Purpose and Coverage of Tables

The statistical tables of this report were designed to meet a wide range of needs for those interested in knowing about wildlife-related recreation. Special terms used in these tables are defined in Appendix A.

The tables are based on responses to the 1996 Survey which was designed to collect data about participation in wildlife-related recreation. To have taken part in the Survey, a respondent must have been a U.S. resident (a resident of one of the 50 states or the District of Columbia). No one residing outside the United States (including U.S. citizens) was eligible for interviewing. Therefore, reported state and national totals do not include participation by those who were not U.S. residents or who were residing outside the United States.

# Comparability With Previous Surveys

The numbers reported can be compared with those in the 1991 Survey Reports. The methodology used in 1996 was similar to that used in 1991. These results should not be directly compared to results from Surveys earlier than 1991 since there were major changes in methodology. These changes were made to improve accuracy in the information provided.

## Coverage of an Individual Table

Since the Survey covers many activities in various places by participants of different ages, all table titles, headnotes, stubs, and footnotes are designed to identify and articulate each item being reported in the table. For example, the title of Table 2 shows that data about anglers and hunters, their days

of participation, and their number of trips are being reported by type of activity. By contrast, the title of Table 6 indicates that it contains data on freshwater anglers and the days they fished for different species of fish.

# Percentages Reported in the Tables

Percentages are reported in the tables for the convenience of the user. When exclusive groups are being reported, the base of a percentage is apparent from its context because the percents add to 100 percent (plus or minus a rounding error). For example, if a table reports the number of trips taken by big game hunters (51 percent), those taken by small game hunters (29 percent), those taken by migratory bird hunters (10 percent), and those taken by sportsmen hunting other animals (10 percent), these would form 100 percent because they are exclusive categories.

Percents should not add to 100 when nonexclusive groups are being reported. Using Table 2 as an example again, note that adding the percentages associated with total number of big game hunters, total small game hunters, total migratory bird hunters, and total hunters of other animals will not yield total hunters (100 percent) because respondents could hunt for more than one type of game.

When the base of the percentage may not be apparent in context, it is identified in a footnote. For example, Table 11 reports 3 percentages with different bases: one for the number of hunters, one for the number of trips, and one for days of hunting. Footnotes are used to clarify the bases of the reported percentages.

#### Footnotes to the Tables

Footnotes are used to clarify the information or items that are being reported in a table. Symbols in the body of a table indicate important footnotes. These symbols are used in the tables to refer to the same footnote each time they appear:

- \* Estimate based on a small sample size.
- ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.
- W Less than .5 dollars.
- Z Less than .5 percent.
- X Not applicable.
- NA Not asked.

Estimates based upon fewer than 10 responses are regarded as being based on a sample size that is too small for reliable reporting. An estimate based upon at least 10 but fewer than 30 responses is treated as an estimate based on a small sample size. Other footnotes appear, as necessary, to qualify or clarify the estimates reported in the tables.

In addition, these two important footnotes appear frequently:

- Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.
- Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

"Multiple responses" is a term used to reflect the fact that individuals or their characteristics fall into more than one category. Using Table 2 as an example, those who fished in saltwater and freshwater appear in both of these totals. Yet each angler is represented only once in the "Total, all fishing" row. Similarly, those who hunt for big game and small game are counted only once as a hunter. Therefore, totals may be smaller than the sum of subcategories when multiple responses exist.

"Nonresponse" exists because the Survey questions were answered voluntarily and some respondents did not or could not answer all of the questions. The effect of nonresponses is illustrated in Table 15, where the reported total for fishing and hunting expenditures is greater than the sum of reported fishing expenditures plus reported hunting expenditures. This occurs because some respondents did not specify either "hunting" or "fishing" as the primary purpose of the purchase. As a result, it is known that the expenditures were for fishing or hunting, but it is not known whether they were primarily for fishing or primarily for hunting, which was the basis for putting them in the individual fishing and hunting expenditure tables. Totals are greater than the sum of subcategories when nonresponses have occurred.

Table 1. Fishing and Hunting In-State, by Resident and Nonresident Sportsmen: 1996

	Total, state residents and nonresidents		Residents		Nonre	sidents
Sportsmen	Number	Percent of sportsmen	Number	Percent of resident sportsmen	Number	Percent of nonresident sportsmen
Total sportsmen	476	100	186	100	291	100
Total anglers	463	97	176	95	287	99
Fished only	403	85	120	65	283	97
Fished and hunted	60	13	56	30		
Total hunters	73	15	65	35		•••
Hunted only		*3	*9	*5		
Hunted and fished	60	13	56	30		

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.

Table 2. Resident Anglers and Hunters, Days of Participation, and Trips, by Type of Fishing and Hunting: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Time of fishing and hunting	Partic	ipants	Days of pa	rticipation	Trips		
Type of fishing and hunting	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
FISHING							
Total, all fishing	178	100	3,218	100	2,563	100	
Total, all freshwater	139 139  111	78 78  63	2,121 2,121  1,079	66 66  34	1,665 1,665  898	65 65  35	
HUNTING							
Total, all hunting	67	100	1,031	100	606	100	
Big game Small game Migratory bird Other animals	57 25 18 *8	85 38 27 *11	700 209 184 *89	68 20 18 *9	273 146 154 *33	45 24 25 *5	

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.

Table 3. Anglers and Hunters, Trips, and Days of Participation: 1996

	Activity in-state						Activity by state residents					
Anglers and hunters, trips, and days of participation			Nonres	Nonresidents Total, in state of residence and in other states		In state of residence		In other states				
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
FISHING												
Total anglers Total trips Total days of fishing	3,810 5,331	100 100 100	176 2,545 3,185	38 67 60	287 1,265 2,146	62 33 40	178 2,563 3,218	100 100 100	176 2,545 3,185	99 99 99	*9 *19 *33	*5 *1 *1
Average days of fishing <b>HUNTING</b>	12	(X)	18	(X)	8	(X)	18	(X)	18	(X)	*4	(X)
Total hunters Total trips Total days of hunting	609 1,067	100 100 100	65 595 991	89 98 93			67 606 1,031	100 100 100	65 595 991	98 98 96	*6 *11 *40	*8 *2 *4
Average days of hunting	15	(X)	15	(X)		(X)	16	(X)	15	(X)	*7	(X)

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably. (X) Not applicable.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.

Table 4. Resident Anglers and Hunters by Place Fished or Hunted: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Place	Ang	glers	Hunters		
riate	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
PLACE FISHED OR HUNTED					
Total, all places	178	100	67	100	
In state of residence only	168 *8	95 *4 	61	92	

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail may not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

Table 5. Freshwater Anglers, Trips, and Days of Fishing, and Type of Water: 1996

			Activity	in-state			
Anglers, trips, and days of fishing		state nonresidents	State re	esidents	Nonresidents		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total anglers	313	100	138	44	175	56	
Total trips	2,397	100	1,650	69	747	31	
Total days of fishing	3,602	100	2,093	58	1,509	42	
Average days of fishing	12	(X)	15	(X)	9	(X)	
ANGLERS							
Total, all types of water	313	100	138	44	175	56	
Ponds, lakes or reservoirs	110 288	100 100	69 121	63 42	*41 168	*37 58	
DAYS OF FISHING							
Total, all types of water	3,602	100	2,093	58	1,509	42	
Ponds, lakes or reservoirs	760 3,010	100 100	655 1,601	86 53	*105 1,409	*14 47	

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. (X)

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.

<sup>(</sup>X) Not applicable.

Table 6. Freshwater Anglers and Days of Fishing, by Type of Fish: 1996

	Activity in-state									
Anglers and days of fishing	Total, st residents and no		State re	sidents	Nonres	Nonresidents				
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent				
ANGLERS										
Total, all types of fish	313	100	138	44	175	56				
Steelhead	*9 111	*100 100	*5 75	*57 68	 *36	 *32				
Salmon		100 *100	105 *8	41 *40	151	59				
Other freshwater fish	71	100	37	51	*35	*49				
Total, all types of fish	3,602	100	2,093	58	1,509	42				
Steelhead	*152	*100	*55	*36						
Trout	1,151	100	813	71	*338	*29				
Salmon	2,347	100	1,212	52	1,135	48				
Anything <sup>1</sup> Other freshwater fish	*62 1,131	*100 100	*32 506	*52 45	 *625	 *55				

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses. Excludes species where the estimate of the total was based on a sample size that was too small to report data reliably.

 $<sup>^{1}\,</sup>$  Respondent identified "Anything" from a list of categories of fish.

### Table 7. Great Lakes Anglers, Trips, and Days of Fishing: 1996

(Not applicable to this state)

Table 8. Great Lakes Anglers and Days of Fishing, by Type of Fish: 1996

(Not applicable to this state)

Table 9. Saltwater Anglers, Trips, and Days of Fishing: 1996

	Activity in-state									
Anglers, trips, and days of fishing	Total, state residents and nonresidents		State re	esidents	Nonresidents					
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent				
Total anglers	283	100	111	39	172	61				
Total trips	1,413	100	895	63	519	37				
Total days of fishing	1,949	100	1,074	55	875	45				
Average days of fishing	7	(X)	10	(X)	5	(X)				

<sup>(</sup>X) Not applicable.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.

Table 10. Saltwater Anglers and Days of Fishing, by Type of Fish: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

			Activity	in-state			
Anglers and days of fishing	Total, s residents and		State re	esidents	Nonresidents		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
ANGLERS							
Total, all types of fish	283	100	111	39	172	61	
Salmon Flatfish (flounder, halibut). Lingcod Shellfish Anything <sup>1</sup> Another type of fish.	172 143 *20 *35 *6 56	100 100 *100 *100 *100	64 67  *10 	37 47  *28  33	109 76   *38	63 53    *67	
DAYS OF FISHING							
Total, all types of fish	1,949	100	1,074	55	875	45	
Salmon Flatfish (flounder, halibut). Lingcod Shellfish Anything <sup>1</sup>	1,263 679 *48 *157 *16	100 100 *100 *100 *100	575 428  *50	46 63  *31	688 251 	54 37 	
Another type of fish.	304	100	165	54	*139	*46	

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses. Excludes species where the estimate of the total was based on a sample size that was too small to report data reliably.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Respondent identified "Anything" from a list of categories of fish.

Table 11. Hunters, Trips, and Days of Hunting, by Type of Hunting: 1996

			Activity	in-state		
Hunters, trips, and days of hunting	Total, residents and		State re	esidents	Nonresidents	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
HUNTERS						
Total, all hunting	73	100	65	89		
Big game Small game Migratory bird Other animals	64 23 17 *11	100 100 100 *100	56 23 16 *8	88 98 97 *71		
TRIPS						
Total, all hunting	609	100	595	98		
Big game Small game Migratory bird Other animals	278 145 150 *36	100 100 100 *100	271 142 149 *33	97 98 100 *92		  
DAYS OF HUNTING						
Total, all hunting  Big game  Small game  Migratory bird Other animals	1,067 748 203 168 *125	100 100 100 100 *100	991 679 200 163 *89	93 91 99 97 *71	  	   

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.

Table 12. Hunters and Days of Hunting In-State, by Type of Game: 1996

Type of game		rs, state I nonresidents	Days of hunting		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total, all types of game	73	100	1,067	100	
Big game, total	64	87	748	70	
Deer. Bear. Moose Other big game	15 *14 46 26	21 *19 63 35	98 *161 406 231	9 *15 38 22	
Small game, total	23	32	203	19	
Rabbit, hare	*11 *7 *10	*15 *10 *13	*120 *46 *65	*11 *4 *6	
Migratory birds, total	17	23	168	16	
Geese. Duck Other migratory bird	*6 *10 *7	*8 *13 *10	*35 *47 *108	*3 *4 *10	
Other animals, total <sup>1</sup>	*11	*14	*125	*12	

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses. Excludes species where the estimate of the total was based on a sample size that was too small to report data reliably.

Table 13. Hunters and Days of Hunting In-State, by Type of Land: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Hunters and days of hunting		state nonresidents	State re	esidents	Nonresidents	
,	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
HUNTERS						
Total, all types of land	73	100	65	100	•••	
Public land, total	54 *13	92 74 *18	61 49 *13	94 75 *19		
Private land, total	*18  *13	*25  *18	*16  *13	*24  *19	 	
DAYS OF HUNTING						
Total, all types of land	1,067	100	991	100		
Public land <sup>1</sup> Private land <sup>2</sup>	976 *245	91 *23	875 *232	88 *23		

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  Includes groundhog, raccoon, fox, coyote, crow, prairie dog, etc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Days of hunting on public land includes both days spent solely on public land and those spent on public and private land.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Days of hunting on private land includes both days spent solely on private land and those spent on private and public land.

Table 14. Selected Characteristics of Resident Anglers and Hunters: 1996

	Popul	lation	(fis	Sportsme shed or hu			Anglers			Hunters	
Characteristic	Number	Percent	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent of sportsmen	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent of anglers	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent of hunters
Total persons	432	100	187	43	100	178	41	100	67	15	100
Population density of residence:											
Urban Rural	262 169	61 39	116 72	44 42	62 38	109 69	42 41	61 39	34 33	13 19	51 49
Population size of residence:											
MSA	218	51 	97 	45 	52 	92	42	51 	27 	12 	40
250,000 to 999,999 50,000 to 249,999 Outside MSA	218 213	 51 49	97 90	45 42	52 48	92 86	 42 40	 51 49	 27 40	 12 19	 40 60
Sex:		10		1				10			
Male	224 208	52 48	126 62	56 30	67 33	119 59	53 28	67 33	56 *11	25 *5	84 *16
Age:											
16 to 17 years	19 30 104 110 77 49 44	4 7 24 25 18 11	*8 *9 47 62 35 17 *10	*40 *28 45 57 46 34 *22	*4 *5 25 33 19 9 *5	*7 *8 46 59 34 *14 *10	*38 *27 44 53 45 *29 *22	*4 *5 26 33 19 *8 *5	 *5 *14 23 *11 *9	*16 *13 21 *14 *18	**7 **21 35 **16 **13
Race:											
White	340 14 78	79 3 18	156  31	46  40	83  17	148  29	44  38	83  17	57  *9	17  *12	86  *14
Annual household income:											
Less than \$10,000. \$10,000 to \$19,999 \$20,000 to \$29,999 \$30,000 to \$39,999 \$40,000 to \$49,999 \$50,000 to \$74,999 \$75,000 or more. Not reported.	21 30 40 48 40 73 112 68	5 7 9 11 9 17 26 16	*15 15 *16 19 51 55 *12	*52 36 *33 48 70 49 *17	*8 8 *8 10 27 29 *6	*15 *14 *14 18 49 53 *11	*52 *35 *29 44 67 47 *15	*9 *8 *8 10 27 30 *6	 *6 *7 18 19 *6	 *13 *17 24 17 *9	 *9 *10 27 28 *9
Education:											
8 years or less	14 33 167 117 100	3 8 39 27 23	 *11 60 58 56	 *33 36 49 56	 *6 32 31 30	*10 57 53 55	 *31 34 46 54	 *6 32 30 31	 21 18 21	 13 15 21	 32 27 32

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses. "Percent who participated" shows the percent of each row's population who participated in the activity named by the column (the percent of those living in urban areas who fished, etc.). Remaining percent columns show the percent of each column's participants who are described by the row heading (the percent of anglers who lived in urban areas, etc.).

<sup>...</sup> Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Table 15. Summary of Expenditures In-State by U.S. Residents for Fishing and Hunting: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older)

		Fishing and	l hunting	
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per sportsman (dollars)
Total	880,235	475	1,854	1,810
Food and lodging Transportation Other trip costs Equipment (fishing, hunting) Auxiliary equipment Special equipment Magazines and books Membership dues and contributions Other¹	191,873 172,464 171,273 67,541 27,797 228,488 1,908 1,743 17,148	379 364 314 231 128 49 49 27 325	506 474 545 293 217 4,668 39 64	403 362 360 129 55 458 4 4
	'	Fishi	ing	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)
Total	548,364	445	1,232	1,180
Food and lodging . Transportation Other trip costs Fishing equipment Auxiliary equipment Special equipment Magazines and books Membership dues and contributions Other¹	172,566 142,925 124,424 34,103 12,892 49,075 507 *497 11,374	362 346 301 197 82 27 15 *13	476 413 414 173 157 1,804 35 *39 37	373 309 269 73 25 106 1 *1 25
		Hunt	ing	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)
Total	198,436	92	2,149	2,512
Food and lodging Transportation Other trip costs Hunting equipment Auxiliary equipment Special equipment Magazines and books Membership dues and contributions Other¹	19,306 29,540 46,849 25,115 7,655 *61,877 *317 *923 6,854	69 66 52 65 23 *10 *10 *9	282 445 894 386 328 *6,280 *30 *100	263 403 639 295 104 *702 *4 *12

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. See Tables 18 to 20 for a detailed listing of expenditure items. Expenditures reported according to primary use of item.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}\,$  "Other" is made up of licenses, stamps, tags, permits, and land leasing and ownership.

Table 16. Summary of Trip and Equipment Expenditures In-State by U.S. Residents for Fishing, by Type of Fishing: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older)

	Total, all fishing					
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)		
Total	535,986	420	1,277	1,090		
Food and lodging	172,566	362	476	373		
Transportation	142,925	346	413	309		
Other trip costs	124,424	301	414	269		
Equipment	96,071	231	416	140		
	Total, all freshwater					
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)		
Total	273,711	293	933	866		
Food and lodging	84,961	243	349	271		
Transportation	89,969	249	361	287		
Other trip costs	58,372	200	292	186		
Equipment	40,409	153	264	121		
	Freshwater, except Great Lakes					
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)		
Total	273,700	293	933	866		
Food and lodging	84,961	243	349	271		
Transportation	89,969	249	361	287		
Other trip costs	58,372	200	292	186		
Equipment	40,399	153	264	121		
	Great Lakes					
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)		
Total				•••		
Food and lodging						
Transportation						
Other trip costs				•••		
Equipment				•••		
	Saltwater					
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)		
Total	233,785	243	963	826		
Food and lodging	87,606	216	405	310		
Transportation	52,955	184	287	187		
Other trip costs	66,052	186	356	234		
Equipment	27,171	79	343	95		

<sup>...</sup> Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

Table 17. Summary of Trip and Equipment Expenditures In-State by U.S. Residents for Hunting, by Type of Hunting: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older)

Expenditure item	Total, all hunting					
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)		
Total	190,342	86	2,209	2,407		
Food and lodging	19,306	69	282	263		
Transportation	29,540	66	445	403		
Other trip costs	46,849	52	894	639		
Equipment	94,647	70	1,344	1,101		
	Big game					
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)		
Total	158,181	69	2,294	2,290		
Food and lodging	15,563	60	261	244		
Transportation	26,966	58	462	422		
Other trip costs	42,181	46	920	661		
Equipment	73,471	44	1,684	963		
	Small game					
	Amount	Spenders	Average per spender	Average per hunter		
	(thousands of dollars)	(thousands)	(dollars)	(dollars)		
Total	11,818	26	449	330		
Food and lodging	1,549	18	86	66		
Transportation	1,343	17	78	57		
Other trip costs	*237	*5 18	*45	*10 196		
Equipment	8,688		480	190		
	Migratory bird					
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)		
Total	8,232	18	450	449		
Food and lodging	*1,719	*11	*154	*104		
Transportation	*848	*11	*75	*51		
Other trip costs	*2,962	*7	*457	*179		
Equipment	*2,703	*14	*194	*115		
	Other animals					
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)		
Total	*2,468	*7	*350	*222		
Food and lodging	*475	*5	*101	*45		
Transportation	*383	*5	*79	*36		
Other trip costs				•••		
Equipment				•••		

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

Table 18. In-State Expenditures by U.S. Residents for Fishing: 1996

	Expend	litures		Spenders	
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)	Number (thousands)	Percent of anglers	Average per spender (dollars)
Total, all items	548,365	1,180	445	96	1,232
TRIP-RELATED EXPENDITURES					
Total trip-related	439,915	950	398	86	1,106
Food and lodging, total	172,566	373	362	78	476
FoodLodging	72,064 100,503	156 217	353 198	76 43	204 509
Transportation	142,925	309	346	75	413
Other trip costs, total	124,424	269	301	65	414
Privilege and other fees¹.  Boating costs².  Bait.  Ice  Heating and cooking fuel	81,528 34,666 4,316 2,688 1,227	176 75 9 6 3	184 95 113 123 59	40 21 24 27 13	443 365 38 22 21
EQUIPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES PRIMARILY FOR FISHING					
Fishing equipment, total	34,104	73	197	43	173
Reels, rods, and rod making components Lines, hooks, sinkers, etc	13,832 7,698 5,736	30 16 12	80 157 157	17 34 34	172 49 37
hooks	874 	2	25 	5	35 
Other fishing equipment <sup>3</sup>	5,952	13	58	12	103
Auxiliary equipment	12,893 49,075 12,378	25 106 26	82 27 310	18 6 67	157 1,804 40

<sup>...</sup> Sample size too small to report data reliably.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes boat or equipment rental and fees for guides, pack trip (party and charter boats, etc.), public land use, and private land use.
<sup>2</sup> Boat launching, mooring, storage, maintenance, insurance, pumpout fees and fuel.
<sup>3</sup> Includes electronic fishing devices (depth finders, fish finders, etc.), tackle boxes, ice fishing equipment, and other fishing equipment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes magazine subscriptions, membership dues and contributions, land leasing and ownership, and licenses, stamps, tags, and permits.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. "Percent of anglers" may be greater than 100 percent because spenders who did not fish in this state are included.

Table 19. In-State Expenditures by U.S. Residents for Hunting: 1996

	Expen	ditures	Spenders		
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)	Number (thousands)	Percent of hunters	Average per spender (dollars)
Total, all items	198,436	2,510	92	126	2,149
TRIP-RELATED EXPENDITURES					
Total trip-related	95,695	1,305	71	96	1,354
Food and lodging, total	19,306	263	69	93	282
FoodLodging	16,369 2,938	223 40	69 14	93 19	239 214
Transportation	29,540	403	66	90	445
Other trip costs, total	46,849	639	52	71	894
Privilege and other fees <sup>1</sup>	7,741 1,339	 106 18	 20 39	28 53	380 35
EQUIPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES PRIMARILY FOR HUNTING					
Hunting equipment, total	25,115	295	65	89	386
Guns and rifles Ammunition Other hunting equipment <sup>2</sup>	13,912 4,012 7,192	147 52 97	26 52 30	35 70 41	546 78 237
Auxiliary equipment	7,655 *61,877 8,094	104 *702 104	23 *10 68	32 *13 93	328 *6,280 119

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. "Percent of hunters" may be greater than 100 percent because spenders who did not hunt in this state are included.

<sup>1</sup> Includes guide fees, pack trip or package fees, public and private land use access fees, and rental of equipment such as boats and hunting or camping equipment.

Includes bows, arrows, archery equipment, telescopic sights, decoys and game calls, hand loading equipment and components, hunting dogs and associated costs, hunting knives, and other hunting equipment.

Includes magazine subscriptions, membership dues and contributions, land leasing and ownership, and licenses, stamps, tags, and permits.

Table 20. In-State Expenditures by U.S. Residents for Special and Auxiliary Equipment Purchased Primarily for Fishing or Hunting: 1996

	Expend	ditures	Spenders		
Equipment item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Average per sportsman (dollars)	Number (thousands)	Percent of sportsmen	Average per spender (dollars)
SPECIAL EQUIPMENT					
Special equipment, total	228,488	458	49	10	4,668
Boats and canoesBoat motors, boat trailer/hitch, and other boat	*38,943	*82	*7	*1	*5,453
accessoriesTravel or tent trailer, pickup, camper, van,	*14,318	*30	*11	*2	*1,358
motor home, cabinTrail bike, dune buggy, 4x4 vehicle, 4-wheeler,	*121,633	*255	*11	*2	*10,872
snowmobile	*44,390	*71	*9	*2 *5	*4,860
Other special equipment	*9,204	*19	*25	3	*371
AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT					
Auxiliary equipment, total	27,797	55	128	27	217
Camping equipment	5,736 7,986 14,075	12 17 26	54 72 57	11 15 12	107 112 245

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}\,$  Also includes foul weather gear, rubber boots, and waders.

Also includes four weather geat, Tubber boots, and waders.

Includes binoculars, field glasses, telescopes, snow shoes and skis, maintenance and repair of equipment, processing and taxidermy costs, and other equipment.

Table 21. In-State Trip-Related Expenditures for Fishing and Hunting: 1996

	Total,	state residen	ts and nonres	idents	State residents			
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per sportsman (dollars)	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (dollars)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per sportsman (dollars)
Trip-related expenditures for fishing and hunting, total	535,610	414	1,295	1,125	170,407	171	1,000	919
TRIP-RELATED EXPENDI- TURES FOR FISHING								
Total	439,915	398	1,106	950	120,057	161	745	681
Food and lodging Transportation Privilege and other fees¹ Boating costs² Bait Ice Heating and cooking fuel.	172,566 142,925 81,528 34,666 4,316 2,688 1,227	362 346 184 95 113 123 59	476 413 443 365 38 22 21	373 309 176 75 9 6	37,015 34,342 12,190 30,691 3,033 1,651 1,136	148 155 63 62 79 75 45	251 222 193 497 38 22 25	210 195 69 174 17 9
TRIP-RELATED EXPENDI- TURES FOR HUNTING								
Total	95,695	71	1,354	1,305	50,349	63	803	771
Food and lodging Transportation Privilege and other fees <sup>1</sup>	19,306 29,540 	69 66 	282 445	263 403	17,802 20,749 	61 58 	294 356 	273 318 
Boating costs <sup>2</sup>	7,741 1,339	20 39	380 35	106 18	7,741 1,318	20 36	380 37	118 20
	Nonresidents							
		Amount (thousands of dollars) Spenders (thousands)				Average per spender (dollars)		Average per sportsman (dollars)
Trip-related expenditures for fishing and hunting, total		365,203		243	1,503		3 1,25	
TRIP-RELATED EXPENDI- TURES FOR FISHING								
Total		319,858		237		1,351		1,115
Food and lodging Transportation Privilege and other fees <sup>1</sup> Boating costs <sup>2</sup> Bait Ice Heating and cooking fuel	. 108,582 . 69,338 . *3,975 . *1,283 . *1,037		215 191 121 *33 *34 *48		631 567 574 *119 *38 *22		37 37 44 24 99 *1 88 * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	
TRIP-RELATED EXPENDI- TURES FOR HUNTING								
Total								
Food and lodging		  		  		  		  
Heating and cooking fuel								

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

 $<sup>^1\,</sup>$  Includes boat and equipment rental and fees for guides, pack trips, public land use, and private land use.  $^2\,$  Boat launching, mooring, storage, maintenance, insurance, pumpout fees and fuel.

Table 22. Summary of Expenditures in the U.S. by State Residents for Fishing and Hunting: 1996

		Fishing a	nd hunting	
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per sportsman (dollars)
Total	497,530	184	2,703	2,660
Food and lodging	58,647	160	366	314
Transportation	59,977	167	358	321
Other trip costs	60,909	149	408	326
Equipment (fishing, hunting)	56,056 22,540	146	384 243	300 120
Special equipment	225,283	35	6,455	1.204
Magazines and books	2,165	45	48	12
Membership dues and contributions	2,979	25	121	16
Other <sup>1</sup>	8,974	158	57	48
		Fis	hing	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)
Total	216,519	174	1,248	1,218
Food and lodging	39,404	150	263	222
Transportation	37,293	156	239	210
Other trip costs	48,943	141	346	275
Fishing equipment	28,124	127	221	158
Auxiliary equipment	7,204 49,946	51	141 3,196	41
Special equipment	512	16 14	3,190	281
Membership dues and contributions	*399	*7	*59	*2
Other <sup>1</sup>	4,694	143	33	26
		Hui	nting	
	Amount	Spenders	Average per spender	Average per hunter
	(thousands of dollars)	(thousands)	(dollars)	(dollars)
Total	143,667	67	2,160	2,160
Food and lodging	19,243	62	312	289
Transportation	22,684	60	381	341
Other trip costs	11,966	45	265	180
Hunting equipment	22,845	52	436	343
Auxiliary equipment	8,020 *52,092	26 *8	313 *6.546	121 *783
Magazines and books	*466	*10	*47	*7
Membership dues and contributions	*1,060	*10	*110	*16
Other <sup>1</sup>	5,292	56	94	80

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. See Tables 25 to 27 for a detailed listing of expenditure items. Expenditures reported according to primary use of item.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  "Other" is made up of licenses, stamps, tags, permits, and land leasing and ownership.

Table 23. Summary of Trip and Equipment Expenditures in the U.S. by State Residents for Fishing, by Type of Fishing: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older)

		Total, all fi	shing	
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)
Total	210,913	167	1,264	1,052
Food and lodging	39,404	150	263	222
Transportation	37,293	156	239	210
Other trip costs	48,943	141	346	275
Equipment	85,273	134	636	345
		Total, all fres	shwater	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)
Total	104,733	133	790	748
Food and lodging	24,962	116	216	179
Transportation	25,164	121	208	181
Other trip costs	17,765	105	170	128
Equipment	36,842	97	381	260
		Freshwater, except	Great Lakes	
	Amount	Spenders	Average per spender	Average per angler
	(thousands of dollars)	(thousands)	(dollars)	(dollars)
Total	104,723	133	790	748
Food and lodging	24,962	116	216	179
Transportation	25,164	121	208	181
Other trip costs	17,765	105	170	128
Equipment	36,831	97	381	260
		Great La	kes	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)
Total		•••		•••
Food and lodging				•••
Transportation				•••
Other trip costs				•••
Equipment				
		Saltwat	er	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)
Total	83,386	105	795	747
Food and lodging	14,442	91	159	130
Transportation	12,128	94	129	109
Other trip costs	31,178	88	354	280
Equipment	25,637	45	572	227

<sup>...</sup> Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. Includes expenditures by state residents in other states.

Table 24. Summary of Trip and Equipment Expenditures in the U.S. by State Residents for Hunting, by Type of Hunting: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older)

		Total, all hu	ınting	
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)
Total	136,850	66	2,069	2,057
Food and lodging	19,243	62	312	289
Transportation	22,684	60	381	341
Other trip costs	11,966	45	265	180
Equipment	82,957	56	1,473	1,247
		Big gan	ne	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)
Total	105,923	59	1,793	1,838
Food and lodging	14,758	53	281	260
Transportation	18,980	51	370	334
Other trip costs	7,184	39	185	126
Equipment	65,001	41	1,593	1,118
		Small ga	me	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)
Total	12,879	27	477	351
Food and lodging	2,046	20	102	81
Transportation	1,891	18	103	75
Other trip costs	*269	*6	*44	*11
Equipment	8,672	18	495	185
		Migratory	bird	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)
Total	9,249	19	484	482
Food and lodging	*1,965	*13	*154	*108
Transportation	*1,431	*12	*123	*79
Other trip costs Equipment	*3,043 *2.812	*6 *14	*512 *204	*167 *128
Equipment	2,012		-	120
		Other ani	mals	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)
Total	*2,468	*7	*350	*312
Food and lodging	*475	*5	*101	*64
Transportation	*383	*5	*79	*51
Other trip costs				
Equipment				•••

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. Includes expenditures by state residents in other states.

# Table 25. Expenditures in the U.S. by State Residents for Fishing: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Includes Great Lakes and saltwater fishing expenditures)

	Expenditures			Spenders	
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Average per angler (dollars)	Number (thousands)	Percent of anglers	Average per spender (dollars)
Total, all items	216,519	1,218	174	98	1,248
TRIP-RELATED EXPENDITURES					
Total trip-related	125,640	707	163	91	772
Food and lodging, total	39,404	222	150	84	263
FoodLodging	32,436 6,967	182 39	150 49	84 28	217 142
Transportation	37,293	210	156	88	239
Other trip costs, total	48,943	275	141	80	346
Privilege and other fees¹	19,004 24,048 3,092 1,664 1,136	107 135 17 9 6	47 95 81 76 45	26 53 46 43 25	404 254 38 22 25
EQUIPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES PRIMARILY FOR FISHING					
Fishing equipment, total	28,124	158	127	72	221
Reels, rods, and rod making components Lines, hooks, sinkers, etc Artificial lures and flies Creels, stringers, fish bags, landing nets, and gaff	10,595 6,015 4,525	60 34 25	62 114 106	35 64 59	171 53 43
hooks	790  6,053	4  34	18  50	10  28	44  121
Auxiliary equipment	7,204 49,946 5,605	41 281 32	51 16 146	29 9 82	141 3,196 38

<sup>...</sup> Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. Includes expenditures by state residents in other states.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes boat or equipment rental and fees for guides, pack trip (party and charter boats, etc.), public land use, and private land use.
<sup>2</sup> Boat launching, mooring, storage, maintenance, insurance, pumpout fees and fuel.
<sup>3</sup> Includes electronic fishing devices (depth finders, fish finders, etc.), tackle boxes, ice fishing equipment, and other fishing equipment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes magazine subscriptions, membership dues and contributions, land leasing and ownership, and licenses, stamps, tags, and permits.

Table 26. Expenditures in the U.S. by State Residents for Hunting: 1996

	Expen	ditures			
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Average per hunter (dollars)	Number (thousands)	Percent of hunters	Average per spender (dollars)
Total, all items	143,667	2,160	67	100	2,160
TRIP-RELATED EXPENDITURES					
Total trip-related	53,893	810	64	96	844
Food and lodging, total	19,243	289	62	93	312
FoodLodging	16,477 *2,766	248 *42	62 *13	93 *19	267 *214
Transportation	22,684	341	60	90	381
Other trip costs, total	11,966	180	45	68	265
Privilege and other fees <sup>1</sup>	 7,741 1,327	 116 20	 20 36	 31 54	380 37
EQUIPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES PRIMARILY FOR HUNTING					
Hunting equipment, total	22,845	343	52	79	436
Guns and rifles Ammunition Other hunting equipment <sup>3</sup>	10,944 3,864 8,037	165 58 121	19 47 29	28 71 44	588 82 276
Auxiliary equipment Special equipment Other hunting costs <sup>4</sup>	8,020 *52,092 6,817	121 *783 102	26 *8 57	39 *12 86	313 *6,546 120

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes guide fees, pack trip or package fees, public and private land use access fees, and rental of equipment such as boats and hunting or camping equipment.

Boat launching, mooring, storage, maintenance, insurance, pumpout fees and fuel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Includes bows, arrows, archery equipment, telescopic sights, decoys and game calls, hand loading equipment and components, hunting dogs and associated costs, hunting knives, and other hunting equipment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes magazine subscriptions, membership dues and contributions, land leasing and ownership, licenses, stamps, tags, and permits.

Table 27. Expenditures in the U.S. by State Residents for Special and Auxiliary Equipment Purchased Primarily for Fishing or Hunting: 1996

	Expend	ditures	Spenders		
Equipment item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Average per sportsman (dollars)	Number (thousands)	Percent of sportsmen	Average per spender (dollars)
SPECIAL EQUIPMENT					
Special equipment, total	225,283	1,204	35	19	6,455
Boats and canoesBoat motors, boat trailer/hitch, and other boat	*41,749	*223	*9	*5	*4,844
accessoriesTravel or tent trailer, pickup, camper, van,	*14,318	*77	*11	*6	*1,358
motor home, cabinTrail bike, dune buggy, 4x4 vehicle, 4-wheeler,	*125,619	*672	*12	*6	*10,842
snowmobile	*34,606	*185	*7	*4	*4,781
Other special equipment	*8,991	*48	*12	*6	*762
AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT					
Auxiliary equipment, total	22,540	120	93	49	243
Camping equipment	5,868 7,356 9,316	31 39 50	52 55 35	28 30 18	114 133 270

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. Includes expenditures by state residents in other states.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}\,$  Also includes foul weather gear, rubber boots, and waders.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes binoculars, field glasses, telescopes, snow shoes and skis, maintenance and repair of equipment, processing and taxidermy costs, and other equipment.

Table 28. State Residents Participating in Wildlife Watching: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Participants	Number	Percent of participants	Percent of population
Total participants	216	100	50
Nonresidential	128	59	30
Residential	204	95	47
Observe wildlife	127	59	29
Photograph wildlife		72	36
Feed wild birds or other wildlife		66	33
Maintain plantings or natural areas	*48	*22	*11
Visit public parks		*18	*9

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses. The column showing percent of participants is based on total participants. The column showing percent of population is based on the state population 16 years old and older, including those who did not participate in wildlife watching.

Table 29. U.S. Residents Participating in Wildlife Watching In-State: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Participants	Number	Percent
Total participants	499	100
Nonresidential	407 204	82 41

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses.

Table 30. Participants, Trips, and Days of Participation in Nonresidential (Away From Home) Activities: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

	Activity in-state							
Participants, trips, and days of participation	Total, state resi nonreside		State resident	cs .	Nonresidents			
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
PARTICIPANTS								
Total participants	407	100	122	100	285	100		
Observe wildlife	403 375 *29	99 92 *7	118 93 *19	97 76 *16	285 283 	100 99 		
TRIPS								
Total trips	1,769	100 (X)	1,349	100 (X)	420 8	100 (X)		
DAYS OF PARTICIPATION								
Total days	5,689	100	2,391	100	3,297	100		
Observing wildlife	4,544 3,245 *513	80 57 *9	1,744 878 *402	73 37 *17	2,800 2,367 	85 72 		
Average days per participant	14	(X)	20	(X)	12	(X)		
Observing wildlife	11 9 *18	(X) (X) (X)	15 10 *21	(X) (X) (X)	10 8 	(X) (X) (X)		

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably. (X) Not applicable.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

Table 31. Nonresidential (Away From Home) Participants Visiting Public Areas In-State and Type of Site Visited: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Participants and sites	Total, state n		State re	esidents	Nonresidents	
·	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total participants	407	100	122	100	285	100
Visited public areas	385 *22	95 *5	106 	86	280	98 
Total, all sites	407	100	122	100	285	100
Oceanside. Lakes and streamsides. Marsh, wetland, swamp. Woodland Brush-covered areas. Open field. Man-made area Other.	357 333 284 337 295 251 95 *112	88 82 70 83 72 62 23 *28	87 93 89 92 73 72 *58	71 76 73 75 60 59 *47 *13	271 240 195 245 221 *179  *96	95 84 69 86 78 *63 

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of nonresponse.

Table 32. In-State Nonresidential Participants by Wildlife Observed, Photographed, or Fed: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Wildlife observed, photographed, or fed	Total, state re nonresid		State re	esidents	Nonresidents	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total all wildlife	407	100	122	30	285	70
Total birds	334	100	84	25	251	75
Birds of prey Waterfowl. Shorebirds Songbirds Other birds	312 275 240 129 *73	100 100 100 100 *100	72 73 *36 *55 *23	23 27 *15 *43 *32	240 201 204 *74	77 73 85 *57 
Total land mammals	336	100	109	33	226	67
Large land mammals	325 248	100 100	98 89	30 36	226 159	70 64
Marine mammals	306 264 123	100 100 100	64 *56 *51	21 *21 *42	242 208 *72	79 79 *58

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  Estimate based on a small sample size.  $\,$  ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of nonresponse.

Table 33. Participation in Residential (Around the Home) Activities: 1996

(State population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Destilental estates	Particip	ants	Destinated exterior	Participants		
Residential activity	Number	Percent	Residential activity	Number	Percent	
Total residential participants	204	100	EEED WILDLIEE			
Observe wildlife	127	62	FEED WILDLIFE			
Visit public parks <sup>1</sup>	*39	*19	Participants feeding:			
Photograph wildlife	155	76		4.40	400	
Feed wildlife	142	69	Total, all wildlife	142	100	
Maintain natural areas	*44	*22	Wild birds	139 *31	98	
Maintain plantings	*19	*9	Other wildlife	*31	*22	
OBSERVE WILDLIFE			Months fed wild birds:			
Participants observing:				00	0.0	
Total, all wildlife	127	100	January	92 85	66 61	
Birds	115	91	February	100	72	
Land mammals	112	89	March	101	72	
Large mammals	108	85	April	84	61	
Small mammals	86	68	May	93	67	
Amphibians or reptiles			JuneJuly	73	52	
Insects or spiders	43	34	August	70	51	
Fish and other wildlife	*47	*37	September	66	48	
Participants observing:	**	07	October	62	45	
•			November	71	51	
Total, 1 day or more	127	100	December	70	51	
1 to 10 days	*48	*38				
11 to 50 days	*30	*24	Average months fed wild birds <sup>2</sup>	7	(X)	
51 to 200 days	*34	*27				
201 days or more	*13	*11	Months fed other wildlife:			
VISIT PUBLIC PARKS <sup>1</sup>			January			
Participants visiting:			February			
Total, 1 day or more	*39	*100	March			
1 to 5 days	*15	*38	April	*15	*47	
6 to 10 days			May			
11 days or more			June			
v l			July			
PHOTOGRAPH WILDLIFE			August			
Participants photographing:			September	*11 *18	*36	
Total, 1 day or more	155	100	October	*18	*58 *42	
1 to 3 days	73	47	November	-	*42	
4 to 10 days	49	31	December	*15	**48	
11 or more days	*30	*19	Average months fed other wildlife <sup>3</sup>	*5	(X)	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>ast}\,$  Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

 $<sup>\</sup>dots$  Sample size too small to report data reliably.

<sup>(</sup>X) Not applicable.

Includes visits only to parks or publicly owned areas within 1 mile of home.
 Based on the number of months where participant fed wild birds at least once a week.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Based on the number of months where participant fed other wildlife at least once.

Table 34. Selected Characteristics of State Residents Participating in Wildlife Watching: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

							Participan	ts			
	Popul	lation		Total		No	onresident	ial		Residentia	l
Characteristic	Number	Percent	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent
Total persons	432	100	216	50	100	128	30	100	204	47	100
Population density of residence:											
Urban Rural	262 169	61 39	123 93	47 55	57 43	73 *55	28 *32	57 *43	118 86	45 51	58 42
Population size of residence:											
MSA	218 	51 	112 	51 	52 	74	34	58 	107 	49 	52 
50,000 to 249,999	218 213	51 49	112 104	51 49	52 48	74 54	34 25	58 42	107 97	49 46	52 48
Sex:											
MaleFemale	224 208	52 48	98 118	44 57	46 54	56 72	25 35	44 56	91 113	41 54	45 55
Age:											
16 to 17 years	19	4									
18 to 24 years	30 104	7 24	*53	 *51	*24	*38	*37	*30	*48	*46	*23
35 to 44 years	110	25	*45	*41	*21	*29	*26	*22	*43	*39	*21
45 to 54 years	77	18	*52	*67	*24	*38	*50	*30	*52	*67	*25
55 to 64 years	49 44	11 10	*21 *30	*42 *70	*10 *14				*21 *30	*42 *70	*10 *15
Race:											
White	340	79	190	56	88	118	35	92	180	53	88
Black	14 78	3 18	*24	 *30	 *11						
Annual household income:											
Less than \$10,000	21	5									
\$10,000 to \$19,999 \$20,000 to \$29,999	30 40	7 9									
\$30,000 to \$39,999	48	11	*32	*66	*15				*32	*66	*15
\$40,000 to \$49,999	40	9				****	* 45	****	****		*0.4
\$50,000 to \$74,999 \$75,000 or more	73 112	17 26	54 71	75 63	25 33	*33 *42	*45 *37	*26 *33	*50 69	*68 62	*24 34
Not reported	68	16									
<b>Education:</b>											
8 years or less	14	3									
9 to 11 years	33 167	8 39	 59	 35	 27	 *25	 *15	 *20	 56	 34	 28
12 years 1 to 3 years college	117	39 27	81	69	38	*61	*52	*48	78	67	28 38
4 years college or more	100	23		63	29	*32	*32	*25	58	58	28

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  Estimate based on a small sample size.  $\,$  ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. "Percent who participated" shows the percent of each row's population who participated in the activity named by the column (the percent of those living in urban areas who participated, etc.). Percent columns show the percent of each column's participants who are described by the row heading (the percent of those who participated who live in urban areas, etc.).

Table 35. In-State Expenditures by U.S. Residents for Wildlife Watching: 1996

			Spenders				
Expenditure item	Expenditures (thousands of dollars)	Average per participant (dollars)	Number (thousands)	Percent of wildlife-watching participants	Average per spender (dollars)		
Total, all items	780,531	1,555	451	90	1,732		
TRIP EXPENDITURES							
Total trip-related	652,346	1,602	326	80	2,003		
Food and lodging	310,972 102,584 208,387 162,692 178,682	764 252 512 400 439	288 286 182 275 234	71 70 45 68 57	1,079 359 1,143 592 764		
EQUIPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES							
Total	128,185	247	260	52	494		
Wildlife-watching equipment, total	60,665	114	237	47	256		
Binoculars, spotting scopes	8,651	 15	130	 26	 67		
photograpĥic equipment	*34,243	*69	*38	*8	*901		
Day packs, carrying cases, and special clothing Bird food Food for other wildlife.	*5,532 6,722 	*11 9 	*53 109 	*11 22 	*104 61 		
Nest boxes, bird houses, bird feeders, and bird baths	*2,190 *1,604	*4 *3	*50 *70	*10 *14	*43 *23		
Auxiliary equipment <sup>3</sup>	*9,925	*19	*55	*11	*180		
Special equipment <sup>4</sup>	2,642 *2,056 	 5 *3 	93 *27 	 19 *5 	28 *76 		
Plantings		•••					

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse. "Percent of wildlife-watching participants" may be greater than 100 percent because spenders who did not participate in wildlife watching in this state are included.

Percent of wildlife-watching participants column for trip-related expenditures is based on nonresidential participants. For equipment and other expenditures, the percent of wildlife-watching participants column is based on total wildlife-watching participants.

Includes equipment rental and fees for guides, pack trips, public land use and private land use, boat fuel, other boating costs, and heating and cooking fuel.

Includes tents, tarps, frame packs and other backpacking equipment, and other camping equipment.
 Includes travel or tent trailers, off-the-road vehicles, pickups, campers, vans, motor homes, boats, and other special equipment.

Table 36. In-State Trip-Related Expenditures for Nonresidential (Away From Home) Participation: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older)

		Total, state resider	nts and nonresidents	
Expenditure item	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per participant (dollars)
Total	652,346	326	2,003	1,602
Food and lodging	310,972 162,692 173,042 *5,640	288 275 220 *79	1,079 592 788 *71	764 400 425 *14
		State r	residents	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per participant (dollars)
Total	74,258	111	668	607
Food and lodging	41,321 22,814 *4,995 *5,128	88 110 *35 *39	468 207 *144 *131	338 186 *41 *42
		Nonre	esidents	
	Amount (thousands of dollars)	Spenders (thousands)	Average per spender (dollars)	Average per participant (dollars)
Total	578,088	215	2,694	2,030
Food and lodging	269,651 139,878 168,047 	200 165 185 	1,349 849 909 	947 491 590 

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

 $<sup>^{1}\,</sup>$  Includes equipment rental and fees for guides, pack trips, public land use, and private land use.  $^{2}\,$  Boat launching, mooring, storage, maintenance, insurance, pumpout fees, fuel, and heating and cooking fuel.

Table 37. Expenditures in the U.S. by State Residents for Wildlife Watching: 1996 (Population 16 years old and older)

			1		
				Spenders	
Expenditure item	Expenditures (thousands of dollars)	Average per participant (dollars)	Number (thousands)	Percent of wildlife- watching participants <sup>1</sup>	Average per spender (dollars)
Total, all items	239,714	1,111	174	81	1,377
TRIP EXPENDITURES					
Total trip-related	104,983	820	112	88	934
Food and lodging	56,796 30,210 *26,586 35,889 *12,298	444 236 *208 280 *96	90 87 *45 112 *54	70 68 *35 87 *42	634 347 *594 322 *226
EQUIPMENT AND OTHER EXPENDITURES					
Total	134,731	624	166	77	814
Wildlife-watching equipment, total	64,736	300	159	74	407
Binoculars, spotting scopes	10,833	 50	 104	48	 104
photographic equipment	*37,979 *5,747 4,738	*176 *27 22	*37 *45 91	*17 *21 42	*1,031 *128 52
Food for other wildlife  Nest boxes, bird houses, bird feeders, and bird					
bathsOther equipment	*2,133 *1,289	*10 *6	*47 *42	*22 *19	*46 *31
Auxiliary equipment <sup>3</sup>	*14,327	*66	*37	*17	*391
Magazines and books	*1,799 *972	*8 *5	*51 *21	*24 *10	*35 *47
Plantings					

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Percent of wildlife-watching participants column for trip-related expenditures is based on nonresidential participants. For equipment and

other expenditures, the percent of wildlife-watching participants column is based on total wildlife-watching participants.

Includes equipment rental and fees for guides, pack trips, public land use and private land use, boat fuel, other boating costs, and heating and cooking fuel.

Includes tents, tarps, frame packs and other backpacking equipment, and other camping equipment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes travel or tent trailers, off-the-road vehicles, pickups, campers, vans, motor homes, boats, and other special equipment.

Table 38. Participation of State Resident Wildlife-Watching Participants in Fishing and Hunting: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

	Total, nonresidential and residential		Wildlife-watching activity				
			Nonres	idential	Residential		
	Number	Number Percent		Percent	Number	Percent	
Total participants	216 100		128	100	204	100	
Wildlife-watching participants who:							
Did not fish or hunt. Fished or hunted	92 124 118 45	43 57 55 21	48 80 76 30	37 63 60 23	93 111 107 40	45 55 52 20	

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

Table 39. Participation of State Resident Sportsmen in Wildlife-Watching Activities: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Sportsmen	Sportsmen		Ang	lers	Hunters	
Sportsmen	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total sportsmen	187	100	178	100	67	100
Sportsmen who:						
Did not engage in wildlife-watching activities .  Engaged in wildlife-watching activities	63 124 80 111	34 66 43 60	60 118 76 107	34 66 43 60	22 45 30 40	33 67 45 60

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses and nonresponse.

Table 40. Participants in Wildlife-Associated Recreation, by Participant's State of Residence: 1996

(Population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Double in out to state of week done.		Total part	ticipants	Sports	smen	Wildlife-watching participants	
Participant's state of residence	Population	Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of population	Number	Percent of population
U.S., total	201,472	76,964	38	39,694	20	62,868	31
Alabama	3,306	1,264	38	788	24	988	30
Alaska	432	279	65	187	43	216	50
Arizona	3,234	1,210	37	497	15	999	31
Arkansas	1,914	890	47	596	31	658	34
California	23,777	7,097	30	2,938	12	5,959	25
Colorado	2,929	1,535	52	732	25	1,244	42
Connecticut	2,514	928	37	375	15	774	31
Delaware	560	232	41	118	21	192	34
Florida	11,239	3,642	32	1,988	18	2,840	25
Georgia	5,544	1,960	35	1,093	20	1,622	29
Hawaii	900	201	22	136	15	123	14
Idaho	879	484	55	336	38	355	40
Illinois	8,979	3,740	42	1,761	20	3,137	35
Indiana	4,456	1,876	42	972	22	1,542	35
Iowa	2,174	1,032	47	607	28	828	38
Kansas	1,916	793	41	437	23	607	32
Kentucky	3,001	1,206	40	779	26	951	32
Louisiana	3,227	1,271	39	927	29	861	27
Maine	966	511	53	266	28	443	46
Maryland	3,912	1,537	39	629	16	1,323	34
Massachusetts	4,726	1,835	39	622	13	1,638	35
Michigan	7,267	3,134	43	1,748	24	2,585	36
Minnesota	3,473	1,663	48	1,212	35	1,325	38
Mississippi	2,032	680	33	519	26	458	23
Missouri	4,056	1,888	47	1,081	27	1,623	40
Montana	672	394	59	222	33	315	47
Nebraska	1,232	539	44	289	23	428	35
Nevada	1,214	365	30	223	18	258	21
New Hampshire	887	448	51	181	20	394	44
New Jersey	6,129	1,864	30	821	13	1,574	26
New Mexico	1,276	501	39	281	22	370	29
New York	13,944	3,800	27	1,708	12	3,169	23
North Carolina	5,605	2,364	42	1,217	22	1,984	35
North Dakota	483	190	39	148	31	112	23
Ohio	8,522	3,281	39	1,280	15	2,816	33
Oklahoma	2,484	1,199	48	798	32	860	35
Oregon	2,472	1,260	51	619	25	1,048	42
Pennsylvania	9,298	3,886	42	1,664	18	3,442	37
Rhode Island	759	284	37	111	15	243	32
South Carolina	2,842	1,093	38	718	25	829	29
South Dakota	541	249	46	204	38	165	30
Tennessee	4,120	1,792	44	820	20	1,507	37
Texas	14,186	4,695	33	2,772	20	3,553	25
Utah	1,396	558	40	331	24	415	30
Vermont	455	242	53	116	26	217	48
Virginia	5,168	2,278	44	1,090	21	1,905	37
Washington	4,207	1,908	45	1,018	24	1,621	39
West Virginia	1,467	593	40	374	26	452	31
Wisconsin	3,897	1,961	50	1,151	30	1,651	42
Wyoming	366	192	53	139	38	143	39

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses. U.S. totals include responses from participants residing in the District of Columbia, as described in the statistical reliability appendix.

# Appendix A

# Appendix A: *Definitions*

Annual household income -Total 1995 income of household members before taxes and other deductions.

Auxiliary equipment - Items of equipment such as camping gear that are owned primarily for wildlife-associated recreation. Items of auxiliary equipment are listed in Table 20 (fishing and hunting) and Table 37 (wildlife watching).

Big game - Antelope, bear, deer, elk, moose, wild turkey, and similar large animals which are hunted.

# Census Divisions:

## East North Central:

Illinois Indiana Michigan Ohio Wisconsin

## East South Central:

Alabama Kentucky Mississippi Tennessee

#### Middle Atlantic:

New Jersey New York Pennsylvania

## Mountain:

Arizona Colorado Idaho Montana Nevada New Mexico Utah Wyoming

# New England:

Connecticut Maine Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island Vermont

#### Pacific:

Alaska California Hawaii Oregon Washington

## South Atlantic:

Delaware
District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia
Maryland
North Carolina
South Carolina
Virginia
West Virginia

## West North Central:

Kansas Iowa Minnesota Missouri Nebraska North Dakota South Dakota

# West South Central:

Arkansas Louisiana Oklahoma Texas

Day - Any part of a day spent in a given activity. For example, if someone hunted 2 hours one day and 3 hours another day, it would be recorded as 2 days of hunting. If someone hunted 2 hours in the morning and 3 hours in the evening of the same day, it would be considered 1 day of hunting.

Education - The highest completed grade of school or year of college.

Expenditures - Money spent in 1996 for wildlife-related recreation trips in the U.S., or wildlife-related recreational equipment purchased in the U.S. (and Canada where specified). Expenditures include both money

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spent by participants for themselves and the value of gifts they received.

Federal land - Public land owned by the Federal government such as National Forests and National Wildlife Refuges.

Fishing - The sport of catching or attempting to catch fish with a hook, line, net, bow and arrow, or spear, fishing equipment, also catching or gathering shellfish (clams, crabs, etc.). The noncommercial seining or netting of fish, unless the fish are for use as bait. For example, seining for smelt is fishing, but seining for bait minnows is not included as fishing.

Fishing equipment - Items owned primarily for fishing. These items are listed in Table 18.

Freshwater - Reservoirs, lakes, ponds, and the nontidal portions of rivers and streams.

Great Lakes fishing - Fishing in Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron, St. Clair, Erie, and Ontario, their connecting waters such as the St. Mary's River system, Detroit River, St. Clair River, and the Niagara River, and the St. Lawrence River south of the bridge at Cornwall, New York. Great Lakes fishing includes fishing in tributaries of the Great Lakes for smelt, steelhead, and salmon.

Home - The starting point of a wildlife-related recreational trip. It may be a permanent residence, or a temporary or seasonal residence such as a cabin.

Hunting - The sport of shooting or attempting to shoot wildlife with firearms or archery equipment.

Hunting equipment - Items owned primarily for hunting. These items are listed in Table 19.

Local land - Public land owned by local government such as county parks or municipal watersheds.

Maintain natural areas - To set aside one-quarter acre or more of natural environment such as wood lots or open fields for the primary purpose of benefiting wildlife.

Maintain plantings - To introduce or encourage the growth of food and cover plants for the primary purpose of benefiting wildlife.

Migratory birds - Birds that regularly migrate from one region or climate to another. The survey focuses on migratory birds which may be hunted, including bandtailed pigeons, coots, ducks, doves, gallinules, geese, rails, and woodcocks.

*Multiple responses* - The term used to reflect the fact that individuals or their characteristics fall into more than one reporting category. An example of a big game hunter who hunted for deer and elk demonstrates the effect of multiple responses. In this case, adding the number of deer hunters (1) and elk hunters (1) would overstate the number of big game hunters (1) because deer and elk hunters are not mutually exclusive categories. In contrast, total participants is the sum of male and female participants, because male and female are mutually exclusive categories.

Nonresidential activity - Trips or outings at least one mile from home for the primary purpose of observing, photographing, or feeding wildlife.

Trips to zoos, circuses, aquariums, and museums are not included.

Nonresidents - Individuals who do not live in the state being reported. For example, a person living in Texas who watches whales in California is a nonresident participant in California.

Nonresponse - Nonresponse is a term used to reflect the fact that some survey respondents provide incomplete sets of information. For example, a survey respondent may have been unable to identify the primary type of hunting for which a gun was bought. Hunting expenditures will reflect the gun purchase, but it will not appear as spending for big game or any other type of hunting. Nonresponses result in reported totals that are greater than the sum of their parts.

*Observe* - To take special interest in or try to identify birds, fish, or other wildlife.

Other animals - Coyotes, crows, foxes, groundhogs, prairie dogs, raccoons, and similar animals that are often regarded as varmints or pests. Other animals may be classified as unprotected or nongame animals by the state in which they are hunted.

Participants - Individuals who engaged in fishing, hunting, or a wildlife-watching activity.

*Primary purpose* - The principal motivation for an activity, trip, or expenditure.

*Public areas -* Public lands owned by local, state, or Federal governments.

*Public land* - Land that is owned by the local, state, or Federal government.

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Private land - Land that is owned by a private individual, group of individuals, or nongovernmental organization. Residential activity -Activity within 1 mile of home with a primary purpose that is wildlife-related: (1) closely observing or trying to identify birds or other wildlife, (2) photographing wildlife, (3) feeding birds or other wildlife on a regular basis, (4) maintaining natural areas of at least one-quarter acre for which benefit to wildlife is the primary purpose, (5) maintaining plantings (shrubs, agricultural crops, etc.) for which benefit to wildlife is the primary purpose, or (6) visiting public parks within 1 mile of home for the purpose of observing, photographing, or feeding wildlife.

Residents - Individuals who lived in the state being reported. For example, persons who live in California and watch whales in California are resident participants in California.

Rural - Respondent identified that he/she lived in a rural, nonfarm, or rural, farm area when given the following choices: urban; rural, nonfarm; rural, farm.

Saltwater - Oceans, tidal bays and sounds, and the tidal portions of rivers and streams.

Screening interviews - The first survey contact with a household. Screening interviews use brief conversations with either the respondent or a household representative in each household to identify respondents who are eligible for in-depth interviews. In addition, screening interviews are used to gather some data about the individuals in the households, such as their age and sex. Screening interviews are discussed in the Survey

Background and Method section of this report.

Small game - Grouse, partridge, pheasants, quail, rabbits, squirrels, and similar small animals and birds for which many states have small game seasons and bag limits.

(MSA) - Metropolitan Statistical Area - Except in the New England States, an MSA is a county or group of contiguous counties containing at least one city of 50,000 or more inhabitants, or twin cities (i.e., cities with contiguous boundaries and constituting, for general social and economic purposes, a single community) with a combined population of at least 50,000. Also included in an MSA are contiguous counties that are socially and economically integrated with the central city. In the New England States, an MSA consists of towns and cities instead of counties. Each MSA must include at least one central city.

Special equipment - Items of equipment including boats and pickup trucks that are owned primarily for wildliferelated recreation. Special equipment items are listed in Table 20 (fishing and hunting) and Table 37 (wildlife watching).

Spenders - Individuals who reported an expenditure value for fishing, hunting, or wildlife-watching activities or equipment.

Sportsmen - Individuals who engaged in fishing, hunting, or both.

State Land - Public land owned by a state such as state parks or state wildlife management areas.

Trip - An outing involving fishing, hunting, or wildlifewatching activities. In the context of this survey, a trip may begin from an individual's principal residence or from another place, such as a vacation home or the home of a relative. A trip may last an hour, a day, or many days.

Type of fishing - Three types of fishing are reported: Fishing in (1) freshwater, except Great Lakes, (2) Great Lakes, and (3) saltwater.

Type of hunting - Four types of hunting are reported: Hunting for (1) big game, (2) small game, (3) migratory bird, and (4) other animals.

*Urban* - Respondent identified that he/she lived in a rural, nonfarm; or rural, farm area when given the following choices: urban; rural, nonfarm; rural, farm.

Wildlife - Animals such as birds, fish, insects, mammals, amphibians, and reptiles that are living in natural or wild environments. Wildlife does not include animals living in aquariums, zoos, and other artificial surroundings, or domestic animals such as farm animals or pets.

Wildlife-associated recreation - Recreational fishing, hunting, or wildlife watching.

Wildlife-watching activity An activity engaged in primarily for the purpose of feeding, photographing, or observing fish or other wildlife. In previous years this was termed nonconsumptive activity. (See also residential and nonresidential activities.)

Wildlife-watching equipment - Items owned primarily for observing, photographing, or feeding wildlife. These items are listed in Table 37.

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# Appendix B

# Appendix B: Selected Data From Screening Interviews

The 1996 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation was carried out in two phases. The first (or screening) phase began in April 1996. The main purpose of this phase was to collect information about persons 16 years old and older in order to develop a sample of potential sportsmen and wildlifewatching participants for the second (or detailed) phase. Information was also collected on the number of persons 6 to 15 years old who participated in wildlife-related recreation activities in 1995. These data are reported here in order to include the recreation activity of 6- to 15-year-olds in this report.

It is important to emphasize that the information reported here from the 1996 screening questionnaires relates to activity only up to and including 1995. Also, these data were based on long-term recall (at least 12-month recall was required for most of these tables) and were reported, in most cases, by one household respondent

speaking for all household members rather than the shorter term recall of the actual participant, as in the case of the 1996 detailed phase.

Tables B-1 to B-3 report data on participants 6 to 15 years old in 1995. Detailed expenditures and recreational activity data were not gathered for the 6- to 15-year-old participants.

Because of the difference in methodologies of the screening phase and the detailed phase of the 1996 Survey, the data are not comparable. Only participants 16 years old and older were eligible for the detailed phase. The detailed phase was a series of three interviews conducted at 4-month intervals. The screening interviews were 1-year recall. The shorter recall period of the detailed phase had better data accuracy. It has been found in survey studies that in many cases longer recall periods result in over-estimating participation in and expenditures on wildlife-related recreation activities.

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Table B-1. State Residents 6- to 15-Years-Old Participating in Fishing and Hunting: 1995

(State population 6 to 15 years old. Numbers in thousands)

	Sportsmen 6 to 15 years old					
Sportsmen	Number	Percent of sportsmen	Percent of population			
Total sportsmen	64	100	59			
Total anglers	63	100	58			
Fished onlyFished and hunted	56 *8	87 *12	51 *7			
Total hunters	*8	*13	*8			
Hunted only	*8	*12	 *7			

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses. Column showing percent of sportsmen is based on the "Total sportsmen" row. Column showing percent of population is based on the state population 6 to 15 years old, including those who did not fish or hunt. Data reported on this table are from screening interviews in which one adult household member responded for household members 6 to 15 years old. The screening interview required the respondent to recall 12 months worth of activity. Includes state residents who fished or hunted only in other countries.

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Table B-2. Selected Characteristics of Resident Anglers and Hunters 6 to 15 Years Old: 1995

(State population 6 to 15 years old. Numbers in thousands)

	Population		Sportsmen (fished or hunted)			Anglers			Hunters		
Characteristic	Number	Percent	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent of sportsmen	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent of anglers	Number	Percent who partici- pated	Percent of hunters
Total persons	109	100	64	59	100	63	58	100	*8	*8	*100
Population density of residence:											
Urban Rural	66 43	61 39	40 24	61 55	63 37	40 24	60 55	63 37	*5 *4	*7 *8	*56 *44
Population size of residence:											
MSA	62 	57 	41 	66 	65 	41	66 	65 	*4	*6 	*45 
250,000 to 999,999	62 46	 57 43	41 22	66 48	65 35	41 22	 66 48	65 35	*4 *4	*6 *10	*45 *55
Sex:											
Male	55 54	51 49	37 26	68 49	59 41	37 26	67 49	58 42	*7 	*12	*81 
Age:											
6 to 8 years	30 33 45	28 31 42	14 21 29	47 62 64	22 32 46	14 20 29	47 61 64	22 32 46	  *5	 *12	 *64
Race:											
White	76  30	70  27	46  17	61  56	73  26	46  17	60  56	73  26	*6	*7 	*67 
Annual household income:	00	~1	1		20	1,		20			•••
Less than \$10,000 \$10,000 to \$19,999 \$20,000 to \$29,999	*5 *4 *18	*5 *4 *17	  *4	  *23	  *7	  *4	  *23	  *7			
\$30,000 to \$39,999 \$40,000 to \$49,999	*7 11	*6 10	*3 *7	*48 *64	*5 *11	*3 *7	*48 *64	*5 *11	 	 	
\$50,000 to \$74,999	28 23 *12	25 22 *11	21 16 *8	76 66 *67	33 24 *13	21 15 *8	76 65 *67	33 24 *13	 		

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size. ... Sample size too small to report data reliably.

Note: Percent who participated shows the percent of each row's population who participated in the activity named by the column (the percent of those living in urban areas who fished, etc.). Remaining percent columns show the percent of each column's participants who are described by the row heading (the percent of anglers who lived in urban areas, etc.). Data reported on this table are from screening interviews in which one adult household member responded for 6- to 15-year-olds. The screening interview required the respondent to recall 12 months worth of activity. Includes state residents who fished or hunted only in other countries.

Table B-3. State Residents 6- to 15-Years-Old Participating in Wildlife Watching: 1995

(State population 6 to 15 years old. Numbers in thousands)

Participants	Number	Percent of participants	Percent of population
Total participants	67	100	62
Nonresidential	43	64	39
Residential	52	78	48
Observe wildlife	42	63	39
Photograph wildlife	11	16	10
Feed wild birds or other wildlife	26	39	24
Maintain plantings or natural areas	*4	*6	*4

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate based on a small sample size.

Note: Detail does not add to total because of multiple responses. The column showing percent of participants is based on total participants. The column showing percent of population is based on the State population 6 to 15 years old, including those who did not participate in wildlife watching. Data reported on this table are from screening interviews in which one adult household member responded for household members 6 to 15 years old. The screening interview required the respondent to recall 12 months worth of activity.

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# Appendix C

# Appendix C.

# National and Regional 1991-1996 Comparison

The 1991 and 1996 Surveys used similar methodologies and all published information for the two Surveys is directly comparable.

Comparisons of the 1991 and 1996 Survey estimates at the national level for fishing and hunting show that while participation remained the same expenditures and days increased significantly over that 5 year period. In 1991 there were 35.6 million anglers and 14.1 million hunters. In 1996 there were 35.2 million anglers and 14.0 million hunters. In 1996 anglers spent 37 percent more and hunters spent 45 percent more than they did in 1991 for their trips and equipment. In 1996 hunters were afield 9 percent more days than in 1991, while anglers fished 22 percent more days. Although participation in wildlife (observing, feeding, and photographing wildlife) decreased 17 percent nationally, from 76.1 million in 1991 to 62.9 million in 1996, expenditures for trips and equipment for wildlife watching increased 21 percent. See Tables C-1 through C-3 for the national and regional estimates.

The 1996 Survey underwent a number of changes in order to improve data collection, lower costs, and meet the data needs of its constituents.

The most significant survey design differences between the 1991 Survey and the 1996 Survey are as follows:

1. The 1991 Survey data were collected by interviewers filling out paper questionnaires. The data entries were keyed in a separate operation after the interview. The 1996 Survey data were collected by the use of

- computer-assisted interviews, where the questionnaire was programmed into computers and the interviewer keyed in the responses at the time of the interview.
- 2. The 1991 Survey screening phase was conducted in January and February of 1991, when the sample households were contacted and a household respondent was interviewed on behalf of the entire household. The 1991 screening interview primarily consisted of socio-demographic questions and wildlife-related recreation questions concerning activity in the year 1990 and intentions for the year 1991. The 1996 Survey screening phase was conducted April through June of 1996 in conjunction with the first wave of the detailed phase. The 1996 screening interview primarily consisted of sociodemographic questions and wildlife-related recreation questions concerning activity in the year 1995 and intentions for the year 1996.
- 3. In the 1991 Survey an attempt was made to contact every sample person in all three detailed interview waves. In the 1996 Survey the respondents who were interviewed in the first detailed interview wave were not contacted again until the third wave. Also, all interviews in the second wave were conducted by

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telephone.In-person interviews were only conducted in the first and third wave.

# Important instrument changes:

- 1. The 1991 Survey instrument expenditure section collected information on all wildlife-related recreation purchases made by participants without reference to where the purchase was made. The 1996 Survey instrument expenditure section included a question for each purchase that asked in which state the purchase was made.
- 2. In 1991 respondents were asked what kind of fishing they did, i.e., Great Lakes, other freshwater. or saltwater, and then asked what states they did it in. In 1996 respondents were asked in which states they fished, and then were asked the pertinent kind of fishing questions. This method had the advantage of not asking about, for example, saltwater fishing when they only fished in a noncoastal state.
- 3. In 1991 respondents were asked how many days they "actually" hunted or fished for a particular type of game or fish, and then how many days they "chiefly" hunted or fished for the same type of game or fish rather than another type of game or fish. To get total days of hunting or fishing for a particular type of game or fish, the "actually" day response was used, while

- to get the sum of all days hunting or fishing the "chiefly" days were summed. In 1996 respondents were asked their total days of hunting or fishing in the country and each state, then how many days they hunted or fished for a particular type of game or fish.
- 4. Trip-related and equipment expenditure categories were not the same for both Surveys. "Guide fee" and "Pack trip or package fee" were two separate trip-related expenditure items in 1991, while they were combined into one category in the 1996 Survey. "Boating costs" was added to the 1996 hunting and wildlife-watching triprelated expenditure sections. "Heating and cooking fuel" was added to all of the trip-related expenditure sections. "Spearfishing equipment" was moved from a separate category, to the "other" list. "Rods" and "Reels" were two separate categories in 1991, but were combined in 1996. "Lines, hooks, sinkers, etc." was one category in 1991, but split into "Lines" and "Hooks, sinkers, etc." in 1996. "Food used to feed other wildlife" was added to the wildlife-watching equipment section, "Boats" and "Cabins" were added to the wildlife-watching special equipment section, and "Land leasing and ownership" was added to the wildlife-watching expenditures section.
- 5. Questions asking sportsmen if they participated as much as they wanted were added to the 1996 Survey instrument. If the sportsman said no, they were asked why not.
- 6. The 1991 Survey included questions about participation in organized fishing competitions, anglers using bows and arrows, nets or seines, or spearfishing, hunters using pistols or handguns, and target shooting in preparation for hunting. These questions were not included in the 1996 Survey.
- 7. The 1996 Survey included questions about catch and release fishing and persons with disabilities participating in wildliferelated recreation, These questions were not part of the 1991 Survey.
- 8. The 1991 Survey included questions about average distance traveled to recreation sites. These questions were not included in the 1996 Survey.
- 9. The 1996 Survey included some questions about the last trip the respondent took during the interview. These included information of the type of trip, where the activity took place, and the distance and direction to the site visited.
- 10. The 1991 Survey collected data on hunting, fishing, and wildlife watching by U.S. residents in Canada. The 1996 Survey collected data on fishing and wildlife watching by U.S. residents in Canada.

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Table C-1. Comparison of Wildlife-Related Recreation in the U.S.: 1991 and 1996

(Numbers in millions)

Participants, days, and expenditures	1991 number	1996 number	Percent change
Hunters, total		14.0 256.7 \$20,613	no change* 9 45
Anglers, total	511.3	35.2 625.9 \$37,797	no change* 22 37
Total wildlife watching	76.1	62.9	-17
Residential	73.9 30.0	60.8 23.7	-18 -21
Days, nonresidential Total wildlife-watching expenditures**	342.4 \$21,242	313.8 \$25,654	no change* 21

<sup>\*</sup> Not different from zero at the 10-percent level. This means that for 90 percent of all possible samples, the estimate for 1 survey year is not different from the estimate for the other survey year.

\*\*Expenditure estimates were made comparable by correcting the 1991 estimate for inflation and subtracting from the 1996 estimate the

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items that were not included in 1991.

Table C-2. Anglers and Hunters, by Census Division: 1991 and 1996

(U.S. population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Sportsmen	1991		1996		
Sportsmen	Number	Percent	Number	Percen	
UNITED STATES					
Total population	189,964	100	201,472	10	
Sportsmen	39,979	21	39,694	2	
Anglers	35,578	19	35,246	ĩ	
Hunters	14,063	7	13,975		
	14,003	'	13,975		
New England					
Total population	10,180	100	10,306	10	
Sportsmen	1,658	16	1,673	1	
Anglers	1,545	15	1,520	1	
Hunters	444	4	465		
Aiddle Atlantic					
Fotal population	29,216	100	29,371	10	
	4,508	15	4,192	10	
Sportsmen	′ .	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Anglers	3,871	13	3,627	1	
Hunters	1,746	6	1,453		
East North Central					
Total population	32,188	100	33,121	10	
Sportsmen	7,202	22	6,912	2	
Anglers	6,264	19	6,006	ĩ	
Hunters	2,789	9	2,712	•	
	۵,703	3	۵,712		
West North Central					
Total population	13,504	100	13,875	10	
Sportsmen	4,143	31	3,977	2	
Anglers	3,647	27	3,416	2	
Hunters	1,709	13	1,917	1	
South Atlantic					
	33,682	100	36,776	10	
Total population	′		′		
Sportsmen	6,996	21	7,282	2	
Anglers	6,441	19	6,636	1	
Hunters	2,083	6	2,050	•	
East South Central					
Total population	11,667	100	12,459	10	
Sportsmen	2,984	26	2,907	2	
Anglers	2,635	23	2,514	2	
Hunters	1,279	11	1,301	10	
West South Central					
Fotal population	19,926	100	21,811	10	
	5,125	26	5,093	2	
Sportsmen	4,592	23	4,616	2	
Anglers Hunters	1,843	9	1,812	٤	
	1,010		1,012		
Mountain					
Total population	10,092	100	11,966	10	
Sportsmen	2,488	25	2,761	2	
Anglers	2,079	21	2,411	2	
Hunters	1,069	11	1,061		
Pacific					
Total population	29,508	100	31,787	10	
Sportsmen	4,875	17	4,897	1	
Anglers	4,505	15	4,501	1	
Hunters	1,101	4	1,203		

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Table C-3. Wildlife-Watching Participants, by Census Division: 1991 and 1996

(U.S. population 16 years old and older. Numbers in thousands)

Wildlife	1991		1996		
Wildlife watching	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
UNITED STATES					
Total population Wildlife-watching participants Nonresidential Residential	189,964 76,111 29,999 73,904	100 40 16 39	201,472 62,868 23,652 60,751	100 31 12 30	
New England					
Total population	10,180 4,598 1,856 4,544	100 45 18 45	10,306 3,710 1,443 3,586	100 36 14 35	
Middle Atlantic					
Total population	29,216 10,556 4,166 10,282	100 36 14 35	29,371 8,185 2,960 8,023	100 28 10 27	
East North Central					
Total population	32,188 14,511 5,572 14,175	100 45 17 44	33,121 11,731 4,501 11,297	100 35 14 34	
West North Central					
Total population	13,504 6,924 2,654 6,722	100 51 20 50	13,875 5,089 1,927 4,900	100 37 14 35	
South Atlantic					
Total population	33,682 13,047 4,450 12,813	100 39 13 38	36,776 11,252 3,992 10,964	100 31 11 30	
East South Central					
Total population	11,667 4,864 1,592 4,765	100 42 14 41	12,459 3,904 1,118 3,795	100 31 9 30	
West South Central					
Total population	19,926 7,035 2,459 6,817	100 35 12 34	21,811 5,933 2,096 5,773	100 27 10 26	
Mountain					
Total population Wildlife-watching participants Nonresidential Residential	10,092 4,437 2,215 4,145	100 44 22 41	11,966 4,099 1,967 3,855	100 34 16 32	
Pacific					
Total population	29,508 10,139 5,035 9,641	100 34 17 33	31,787 8,966 3,648 8,558	100 28 11 27	

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# Appendix D

# Appendix D: Sample Design and Statistical Accuracy

This Appendix is partitioned into two parts. The first part of this Appendix is the U.S. Bureau of the Census 'Source and Accuracy Statement' for the Survey. This statement describes the sampling design for the 1996 Survey and highlights the steps that were taken to produce estimates from the completed questionnaires. The statement explains the use of standard errors and confidence intervals. Finally, it provides comprehensive information about errors that are characteristic of surveys, and it provides the formulas and parameters that can be used to calculate an approximate standard error or confidence interval for each number published in this report.

The second part, Tables D-1 to D-3, reports approximate standard errors for selected measures of participation and expenditures for wildliferelated recreation.

Source and Accuracy Statement for the Alaska State Report of the 1996 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife Associated Recreation

## Source of Data

The estimates shown in this report are based on the data collected in the 1996 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (FHWAR).

The 1996 FHWAR Survey was designed to provide statelevel estimates of the number of people who participated in recreational hunting and fishing, and other forms of wildlife-related activities (e.g., wildlife observation) referred to as wildlife-watching use. Information was collected on the number of people engaged in the activities, where and how often they went to pursue them, the type of wildlife encountered, and the amounts of money spent for these activities.

The survey was conducted in two stages: an initial screening of households to identify likely sportsmen and wildlifewatching participants, and a series of follow-up interviews of selected persons to collect detailed data about their wildlife-related recreation during 1996.

The 1996 FHWAR sample was selected primarily from the 1991 FHWAR Survey sample. The 1991 sample was selected from expired samples from the Current Population Survey (CPS). The 1996 sample was supplemented with a panel of newly constructed housing units to account for housing units built after the 1991 sample selection. The state samples are multistage stratified samples of the U.S. population within each state.

## Sample Design

A. CPS - Current Population Survey

The expired CPS samples used for the 1991 FHWAR Survey, and subsequently the 1996 FHWAR Survey, had been selected initially from the 1980 census files with coverage in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The samples, while active, had been continually updated to reflect new construction. The sample addresses were located in more than 729 areas comprising more than

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1,973 counties, independent cities, and minor civil divisions in the nation.

To save interviewing costs, sample was reduced in some sample areas, and other areas were dropped entirely. The 1996 FHWAR old construction sample addresses were located in 574 areas comprising 1,013 counties, independent cities, and minor civil divisions.

# B. Supplemental New Construction Sample

To account for housing units built since the 1991 FHWAR sample was selected, a new construction panel was selected from expired CPS new construction files. These units were last interviewed between March 1994 and June 1995. This sample was added in the same areas that were retained for the 1996 FHWAR old construction sample.

# C. The FHWAR Screening Sample

The screening sample consisted of households identified from the above sources. In Alaska, about 1,127 household interviews were assigned. Of these, roughly 13.3 percent were found to be vacant or otherwise not to be enumerated. About 8.2 percent were not completed in telephone centers and were not assigned personal visit interviews due to cost constraints. Of the remaining households, about 34.1 percent could not be enumerated because the occupants were not found at home after repeated calls or were unavailable for some other reason.

Overall, about 583 completed household interviews were obtained for a response rate

of approximately 65.9 percent. The field representatives asked the screening questions for all household members 6 years old and older. Interviewing for the screening sample was conducted during April, May, and June of 1996.

## D. The Detailed Samples

#### 1. Sportsmen

The State sportsmen detailed sample was selected based on information reported during the screening phase. Every person 16 years of age and older was assigned to a category based on time devoted to hunting/fishing in previous years, participation in hunting/fishing in 1996 by the time of the screening interview, and intentions to fish or hunt during the remainder of 1996.

Each person was placed into one of the following six groups based on their past participation in fishing/hunting activities:

Active - a person who had already participated in 1996 at the time of the screening interview.

Avid - a person who hunted or fished at least 30 days or spent at least \$600 on either hunting or fishing in 1995.

Average - a person who hunted or fished at least 4 days but not more than 29 days or spent between \$26 to \$599 on hunting or fishing in 1995.

Infrequent - a person who hunted or fished at least 1 day but not more than 3 days and spent less than \$26 on hunting or fishing in 1995.

Inactive - a person who did not participate in hunting/fishing in 1995, but did participate in 1991 to 1994.

Nonparticipant - a person who did not participate in hunting/fishing in 1991 to 1995.

Each person not in the Active group was asked their likelihood of going hunting/fishing in 1996:

- · Very Likely
- Somewhat Likely
- Somewhat Unlikely
- Very Unlikely

Persons were selected for the detailed phase based on a combination of these two groupings. All Active and Avid sportsmen, and all persons who said they were Very Likely to fish/hunt in 1996 were interviewed. Nonparticipants who said they were Somewhat Unlikely or Very Unlikely to participate in 1996 were not eligible for a detailed interview. All other persons were subsampled to yield the desired number of sportsmen in each state.

Active sportsmen were given the detailed interview twice at the same time as the screening interview (April to June 1996) and again in January/February 1997. All other sportsmen were also interviewed twice - first in August/September 1996, then in January/February 1997. If we were not able to obtain the first interview, we attempted to interview the person in the final interviewing period with the reference period being the entire year.

About 658 persons were designated for interviews in Alaska. Overall, about 508

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detailed sportsmen interviews were completed for a response rate of 77.2 percent.

### 2. Wildlife-Watching Participants

The State wildlife-watching detailed sample was also selected based on information reported during the screening phase. Every person 16 years of age and older was assigned to a category based on time devoted to wildlife-watching activities in previous years, participation in 1996 by the time of the screening interview, and intentions to participate in activities during the remainder of 1996.

Each person was placed into one of the following six groups based on their past participation in wildlifewatching activities:

Active - a person who had already participated in 1996 at the time of the screening interview.

Avid - a person who participated at least 21 days or spent at least \$300 on wildlife-watching activities in 1995.

Average - a person who participated at least 4 days but not more than 20 days or spent between \$26 and \$299 on wildlife-watching activities in 1995.

Infrequent - a person who participated at least 1 day but not more than 3 days and spent less than \$26 on wildlife-watching activities in 1995.

Residential - a person who participated in wildlifewatching activities in 1995 around the home, but did not take any trips to participate in wildlife-watching activities. Nonparticipant - a person who did not participate in wildlife-watching activities in 1991-1995.

Each person not in the Active group was asked their likelihood of participating in wild-lifewatching activities in 1996:

- · Very Likely
- Somewhat Likely
- Somewhat Unlikely
- Very Unlikely

Persons were selected for the detailed phase based on a combination of these two groupings. Nonparticipants who said they were Very Unlikely to participate in 1996 were not eligible for a detailed interview. All other persons were subsampled to yield the desired number of wildlife-watching participants in each state.

Wildlife-watching participants were given the detailed interview twice. Some received their first detailed interview at the same time as the screening interview (April to June 1996). The rest received their first interview in August/September 1996. All wildlife-watching participants received their second interview in January/February 1997. If we were not able to obtain the first interview, we attempted to interview the person in the final interviewing period with the reference period being the entire year.

About 181 persons were designated for interviews in Alaska. Overall, about 133 detailed wildlife-watching participant interviews were completed for a response rate of 73.5 percent.

#### **Estimation Procedure**

Several stages of adjustments were involved in the estimation procedure used to derive the final 1996 FHWAR person weights. A brief description of the major components of the weights is given below.

All statistics for the population 6 to 15 years of age were derived from the screening interview. Statistics for the population 16 and over come from both the screening and detailed interviews. Estimates which come from the screening sample are presented in Appendix B.

# A. Screening Sample

Every interviewed person in the screening sample received a weight that was the product of the following factors:

- Base Weight. The base weight is the inverse of the households probability of selection.
- 2. Personal Visit Subsampling Factor. Some households could not be interviewed by telephone because there was not a good telephone number or address for the unit. Due to budget constraints, not all of these cases could be followed up with a personal visit. This factor inflates the weights of those cases which were selected for personal visits to account for those similar cases which were not selected.
- 3. Household Noninterview Adjustment. The noninterview adjustment inflated the weight assigned to interviewed households to account for

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- households eligible for interview but for which no interview was obtained.
- 4. First-Stage Adjustment. The 574+ areas designated for our samples were selected from roughly 1,900 such areas of the United States. Some of our sample areas represent only themselves, and are referred to as self-representing. The remaining areas represent other areas similar in selected characteristics, and are thus designated nonselfrepresenting. The firststage factor reduces the component of variation arising out of sampling the nonself-representing areas.
- 5. Second-Stage Adjustment. This adjustment brings the estimates of the total population in each state into agreement with census-based estimates of the civilian noninstitutional and nonbarrack military populations for each state.

### B. Sportsmen Sample

Every interviewed person in the sportsmen detailed sample received a weight that was the product of the following factors:

- 1. *Screening Weight.* This is the persons final weight from the screening sample.
- 2. Sportsmen Stratum
  Adjustment. This factor
  inflated the weights of
  persons selected for the

- detail sample to account for the subsampling done within each sportsmen stratum.
- 3. Sportsmen Noninterview Adjustment. This factor adjusts the weights of the interviewed sportsmen to account for sportsmen selected for the detailed sample for which no interview was obtained. A person was considered a noninterview if he/she was not interviewed in the third wave of interviewing.
- 4. Sportsmen Ratio Adjustment Factor. This is a ratio adjustment of the detailed sample to the screening sample within sportsmen sampling strata. This adjustment brings the population estimates of persons age 16 or older from the detailed sample into agreement with the same estimates from the screening sample, which was a much larger sample.
- C. Wildlife-Watching Participant Sample

Every interviewed person in the wildlife-watching participant detailed sample received a weight that was the product of the following factors:

- Screening Weight. This is the persons final weight from the screening sample.
- 2. Wildlife-Watching Participant Stratum Adjustment. This factor inflated the weights of persons selected for the detailed sample to account for the

- subsampling done within each wildlife-watching participant stratum.
- 3. Wildlife-Watching Participant Noninterview Adjustment. This factor adjusts the weights of the interviewed wildlifewatching participants to account for wildlifewatching participants selected the detailed sample for which no interview was obtained. A person was considered a noninterview if he/she was not interviewed in the third wave of interviewing.
- 4. Wildlife-Watching Participant Ratio Adjustment Factor. This is a ratio adjustment of the detailed sample to the screening sample within the wildlifewatching participant sampling strata. This adjustment brings the population estimates of persons age 16 or older from the detail sample into agreement with the same estimates from the screening sample, which was a much larger sample.

### Accuracy of the Estimates

Since the 1996 estimates came from a sample, they may differ from figures from a complete census using the same questionnaires, instructions, and enumerators. A sample survey estimate has two possible types of error: sampling and nonsampling. The accuracy of an estimate depends on both types of error, but the full extent of

the nonsampling error is unknown. Consequently, one should be particularly careful when interpreting results based on a relatively small number of cases or on small differences between estimates. The standard errors for the 1996 FHWAR estimates primarily indicate the magnitude of sampling error. They also partially measure the effect of some nonsampling errors in responses and enumeration, but do not measure systematic biases in the data. (Bias is the average over all possible samples of the differences between the sample estimates and the actual value.)

# Nonsampling Variability

Let us suppose that a comparable complete enumeration was conducted, that is, an interview is attempted for every person 16 years old and over in the United States. Chances are we will not correctly estimate every parameter (for example, the proportion of people who fished) under consideration. In this instance, the difference is due solely to nonsampling errors. Nonsampling errors also occur in sample surveys and can be attributed to several sources including the following:

- The inability to obtain information about all cases in the sample.
- · Definitional difficulties.
- Differences in the interpretation of questions.
- Respondents inability or unwillingness to provide correct information.
- Respondents inability to recall information.
- Errors made in data collection such as in recording or coding the data.
- Errors made in the processing of data.
- Errors made in estimating values for missing data.
- Failure to represent all units with the sample (undercoverage).

Overall CPS undercoverage is estimated to be about 8 percent. Generally, undercoverage is larger for males than for females and larger for Blacks and other races combined than for Whites. Ratio estimation to independent population controls as described previously, partially corrects for the bias due to survey undercoverage. However, biases exist in the estimates to the extent that

missed persons in missed households or missed persons in interviewed households have different characteristics from those of interviewed persons in the same age group.

Comparability of Data.

Data obtained from the 1996 FHWAR and other sources are not entirely comparable. This results from differences in field interviewer training and experience and in differing survey processes. This is an example of nonsampling variability not reflected in the standard errors. Use caution when comparing results from different sources. (See Appendix C.)

**Note When Using Small** Estimates. Because of the large standard errors involved, summary measures (such as medians and percentage distributions) would probably not reveal useful information when computed on a base smaller than 100,000. Take care in the interpretation of small differences. For instance, even a small amount of nonsampling error can cause a borderline difference to appear significant or not, thus distorting a seemingly valid hypothesis test.

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### Sampling Variability

The particular state sample used for the 1996 FHWAR is one of a large number of all possible samples of the same size that could have been selected using the same sample design. Estimates derived from the different sample would differ from each other. This sample-to-sample variability is referred to as sampling variability and is generally measured by the standard error. The exact sampling error is unknown. However, guides to the potential size of the sampling error are provided by the standard error of the estimate.

Since the standard error of a survey estimate attempts to provide a measure of the variation among the estimates from the possible samples, it is a measure of the precision with which an estimate from a particular sample approximates the average result of all possible samples. Standard errors, as calculated by methods described next in "**Standard Errors and Their Use**," are primarily measures of sampling variability, although they may include some nonsampling error.

The sample estimate and its standard error enable one to construct a confidence interval, a range that would include the average result of all possible samples with a known probability. For example, if all possible samples were surveyed under essentially the same general conditions and using the same sample design, and if an estimate and its standard error were calculated from each sample, then approximately 95 percent of the intervals from 1.96 standard errors below the estimate to 1.96 standard errors above the estimate would include the average result of all possible samples.

A particular confidence interval may or may not contain the average estimate derived from all possible samples. However, one can say with specified confidence that the interval includes the average estimate calculated from all possible samples.

Standard errors may also be used to perform hypothesis testing, a procedure for distinguishing between population parameters using sample estimates. One common type of hypothesis is that the population parameters are different. An example would be comparing the proportion of anglers to the proportion of hunters.

Tests may be performed at various levels of significance, where a significance level is the probability of concluding that the characteristics are different when, in fact, they are the same. To conclude that two characteristics are different at the 0.05 level of significance, for example, the absolute value of the estimated difference between characteristics must be greater than or equal to 1.96 times the standard error of the difference.

This report uses 95-percent confidence intervals and 0.05 levels of significance to determine statistical validity. Consult standard statistical textbooks for alternative criteria.

**Standard Errors and Their Use.** A number of approximations are required to derive, at a moderate cost, standard errors applicable to all the estimates in this report. Instead of providing an individual standard error for each estimate, parameters are provided to calculate standard errors for each type of characteristic. These parameters are listed in Tables D-4 to D-9. Methods for using the parameters to calculate standard errors of various estimates are given in the next sections.

**Standard Errors of Estimated Numbers.** The approximate standard error,  $s_{x_i}$  of an estimated number shown in this report can be obtained using the following formulas. Formula (1) is used to calculate the standard errors of levels of sportsmen, anglers, and wildlife-watching participants.

$$s_{x} = \sqrt{ax^{2} + bx} \tag{1}$$

Here, x is the size of the estimate and a and b are the parameters in the tables associated with the particular characteristic.

Formula (2) is used for standard errors of aggregates, i.e., trips, days, and expenditures.

$$s_{x} = \sqrt{ax^{2} + bx + \frac{cx^{2}}{y}}$$
 (2)

Here, x is again the size of the estimate; y is the base of the estimate; and a, b, and c are the parameters in the tables associated with the particular characteristic.

**Illustration of the Computation of the Standard Error of an Estimated Number.** Suppose that a table shows that 39,694,000 persons 16+ either fished or hunted in the United States in 1996. Using formula (1) with the parameters a = -0.00004 and b = 7,950 from Table D- 5, the approximate standard error of the estimated number of 39,694,000 sportsmen 16+ is

$$s_x = \sqrt{-0.00004x39,694,000^2 + 7,950x39,694,000} = 502,100$$

The 95-percent confidence interval for the estimated number of sportsmen 16+ is from 38,709,900 to 40,678,100, ie.,  $39,694,000 \pm 1.96x502,100$ . Therefore, a conclusion that the average estimate derived from all possible samples lies within a range computed in this way would be correct for roughly 95 percent of all possible samples.

Suppose that another table shows that 13,975,000 hunters 16+ engaged in 256,676,000 days of participation in 1996 in the United States. Using formula (2) with the parameters a=0.000284, b=-64,721, and c=20,674 from Table D-7, the approximate standard error on 256,676,000 estimated days on an estimated base of 13,975,000 hunters is

$$s_x = \sqrt{0.000284x56,676,000^2 + (-64,721)x256,676,000 + \frac{20,674x256,676,000^2}{13,975,000}} = 9,978,100$$

The 95-percent confidence interval on the estimate of 256,676,000 days is from 237,118,900 to 276,233,100, ie.,  $256,676,000 \pm 1.96 \times 9,978,100$ . Again, a conclusion that the average estimate derived from all possible samples lies within a range computed in this way would be correct for roughly 95 percent of all possible samples.

**Standard Errors of Estimated Percentages.** The reliability of an estimated percentage, computed using sample data for both numerator and denominator, depends on the size of the percentage and its base. Estimated percentages are relatively more reliable than the corresponding estimates of the numerators of the percentages, particularly if the percentages are 50 percent or more. When the numerator and the denominator of the percentage are in different categories, use the parameter in the tables indicated by the numerator.

The approximate standard error,  $s_{x,p}$  can be obtained by use of the formula

$$s_{x,p} = \sqrt{\frac{bp(100 - p)}{x}} \tag{3}$$

Here, x is the total number of sportsmen, hunters, etc., which is the base of the percentage; p is the percentage (0p100); and p is the parameter in the tables associated with the characteristic in the numerator of the percentage.

**Illustration of the Computation of the Standard Error of an Estimated Percentage.** Suppose that a table shows that of the 13,975,000 hunters 16+ in the United States, 22.0 percent hunted migratory birds. From Table D-5, the appropriate b parameter is 5,818.Using formula (3), the approximate standard error on the estimate of 22.0 percent is

$$s_{x,p} = \sqrt{\frac{5,818x22.0x78.0}{13,975,000}} = 0.85$$

Consequently, the 95-percent confidence interval for the estimated percentage of migratory bird hunters 16+ is from 20.3 percent to 23.7 percent, ie.  $22.0 \pm 1.96 \times 0.85$ .

**Standard Error of a Difference.** The standard error of the difference between two sample estimates is approximately equal to

$$s_{x-y} = \sqrt{s_x^2 + s_y^2}$$
 (4)

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where  $_{x}$  and  $s_{y}$  are the standard errors of the estimates x and y. The estimates can be numbers, percentages, ratios, etc. This will represent the actual standard error quite accurately for the difference between estimates of the same characteristic in two different areas, or for the difference between separate and uncorrelated characteristics in the same area. However, if there is a high positive (negative) correlation between the two characteristics, the formula will overestimate (underestimate) the true standard error.

**Illustration of the Computation of the Standard Error of a Difference.** Suppose that a table shows that of the 13,975,000 hunters in the United States, 2,783,000 were in the age group 25-34, and 3,819,000 were in the age group 35-44. The corresponding percentages are 19.9 percent and 27.3 percent, respectively. The apparent difference between the percent of hunters 25-34 and hunters 35-44 is 7.4 percent. Using formula (3) and the appropriate b parameter from Table D-5, the approximate standard errors of 19.9 percent and 27.3 percent are 0.81 and 0.91, respectively. Using formula (4), the approximate standard error of the estimated difference of 7.4 percent is

$$s_{x-y} = \sqrt{0.81^2 + 0.91^2} = 1.22$$

The 95-percent confidence interval on the difference between hunters aged 25-34 and hunters aged 35-44 is from 5.0 to 9.8 percent, i.e.,  $7.4 \pm 1.96 x 1.22$ . Since the interval does not contain zero, we can conclude with 95 percent confidence that the percentage of hunters aged 25-34 is smaller than the percentage of hunters aged 35-44.

**Standard Errors of Estimated Averages.** Certain mean values for sportsmen, anglers, etc., shown in the report were calculated as the ratio of two numbers. For example, average days per angler is calculated as:

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{\text{total days}}{\text{total anglers}}$$

Standard errors for these averages may be approximated by the use of formula (5) below.

$$s_{x/y} = \frac{x}{v} \sqrt{\left[\frac{s_x}{x}\right]^2 + \left[\frac{s_y}{v}\right]^2 - 2r\frac{s_x s_y}{xv}}$$
 (5)

In formula (5), r represents the correlation coefficient between the numerator and the denominator of the estimate. In the above formula, always use 0.7 as an estimate of r.

**Illustration of the Computation of the Standard Error of an Estimated Average.** Suppose that a table shows that the average days per angler 16+ for all fishing in the United States was 17.8 days. Using formulas (1) and (2) above, we compute the standard error on total days, 625,893,000, and total anglers, 35,246,000, to be 19,183,000 and 480,000, respectively. The approximate standard error on the estimated average of 17.8 days is

$$s_{x/y} = \frac{625,893,000}{35,246,000} \sqrt{\left[\frac{19,183,000}{625,893,000}\right]^2 + \left[\frac{480,000}{35,246,000}\right]^2 - 2x0.7x \frac{19,183,000x480,000}{625,893,000x35,246,000}} = 0.41$$

Therefore, the 95-percent confidence interval on the estimated average of 17.8 days is from 17.0 to 18.6, i.e.,  $17.8 \pm 1.96 \times 0.41$ .

Table D-1. Approximate Standard Errors of Resident Anglers, Days of Fishing by State Residents, and Expenditures for Fishing by State Residents

(Numbers in thousands)

State	Participation		Da	nys	Expenditures in dollars	
State	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error
Alabama	698	46	15,337	1,338	\$755,268	\$138,436
Alaska	178	10	3,218	628	\$216,519	\$38,508
Arizona	443	36	4,749	1,171	\$321,813	\$60,193
Arkansas	494	39	8,018	1,192	\$217,913	\$52,641
California	2,721	186	39,158	7,197	\$3,717,430	\$649,627
Colorado	671	44	7,856	890	\$645,469	\$124,295
Connecticut	364	22	6,081	684	\$279,605	\$42,880
Delaware	109	7	2,327	280	\$179,935	\$30,018
Florida	1,948	133	41,489	7,050	\$2,783,806	\$483,766
Georgia	982	69	16,139	2,415	\$1,214,402	\$203,638
Hawaii	132	10	2,667	540	\$88,419	\$15,379
Idaho	281	20	3,724	559	\$235,734	\$40,592
Illinois	1,591	102	26,747	3,087	\$1,967,498	\$367,424
Indiana	854	54	16,405	1,588	\$799,930	\$107,114
Iowa	512	35	8,676	654	\$419,575	\$64,843
Kansas	371	32	7,104	1,998	\$276,642	\$55,493
Kentucky	681	45	10,306	939	\$718,122	\$149,593
Louisiana	860	61	20,934	4,414	\$896,877	\$142,037
Maine	207	16	4,039	628	\$132,921	\$33,454
Maryland	569	39	10,014	2,438	\$666,089	\$154,595
Massachusetts	601	42	11,024	1,981	\$706,802	\$131,046
Michigan	1,485	107	27,602	4,721	\$1,479,968	\$257,520
Minnesota	1,078	79	21,237	5,983	\$1,568,434	\$254,558
Mississippi	431	34	8,476	1,016	\$536,298	\$99,548
Missouri	935	66	15,135	1,539	\$633,269	\$128,657
Montana	163	12	1,857	232	\$101,973	\$14,913
Nebraska	239	19	3,272	370	\$189,386	\$31,474
Nevada	208	14	2,900	377	\$325,513	\$45,599
New Hampshire	159 788	11 53	3,159 16,683	532 2,438	\$219,427 \$1,172,815	\$58,661 \$212,863
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New Mexico	235	17	2,761	705	\$181,240	\$35,300
New York	1,493	97	27,570	3,961	\$1,889,112	\$321,949
North Carolina	1,122 114	82 8	20,602 1,793	4,033 224	\$1,321,394 \$137,104	\$309,340 \$23,234
Ohio	1,108	77	19,434	1,969	\$955,254	\$23,234 \$170,075
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Oklahoma	755	54	13,834	2,197	\$534,330	\$128,928
Oregon	525	39	8,260	1,121	\$622,533	\$110,472
Pennsylvania	1,346 104	95 7	24,284 2,158	2,358 443	\$942,953 \$150,002	\$148,435 \$36,370
South Carolina	674	40	14,015	2,025	\$746,607	\$153,342
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South Dakota	168	12	2,473	244	\$162,751	\$27,619
Tennessee	705 2,508	48 197	12,927 55,884	1,702	\$492,999 \$3,055,911	\$86,691 \$672,133
Texas	2,508	20	3,261	15,339 289	\$3,055,911	\$27,859
Vermont	87	7	1,868	258	\$136,020	\$28,065
Virginia	950	59	16,256	2,958	\$905,647	\$142,585
Washington	945	83	12,756	2,795	\$677,943	\$142,363
West Virginia	269	20	5,680	906	\$189,992	\$36,065
Wisconsin	969	68	14,546	1,343	\$937,048	\$144,009
	114	8	1,412	162	\$96,133	\$16,703

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Table D-2. Approximate Standard Errors of Resident Hunters, Days of Hunting by State Residents, and Expenditures for Hunting by State Residents

(Numbers in thousands)

Stata	Partici	pation	Da	ays	Expenditures in dollars	
State	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error
Alabama	266	26	6,880	1,861	\$536,653	\$134,646
	66	7	1,031	190	\$143,667	\$34,649
	150	18	1,611	529	\$208,972	\$69,489
	329	33	8,617	2,982	\$541,733	\$205,459
	578	87	8,500	3,234	\$1,026,171	\$385,333
Colorado	248	33	3,373	1,050	\$477,905	\$178,762
	68	9	884	226	\$85,975	\$23,250
	32	4	680	245	\$31,379	\$7,786
	234	47	5,519	1,749	\$471,602	\$163,035
	365	39	6,862	1,250	\$858,437	\$271,517
Hawaii Idaho Illinois Indiana Iowa	24	4	275	75	\$20,237	\$7,070
	183	17	2,736	479	\$183,878	\$39,756
	443	50	7,176	1,290	\$527,072	\$117,953
	347	33	6,248	1,471	\$280,264	\$68,074
	301	23	5,063	508	\$223,099	\$33,170
Kansas Kentucky Louisiana Maine Maryland	217	25	3,786	1,147	\$316,718	\$105,371
	355	37	5,619	848	\$342,892	\$82,115
	366	38	7,833	973	\$637,690	\$202,169
	148	14	2,694	719	\$215,846	\$80,540
	125	17	1,744	396	\$97,721	\$29,454
Massachusetts Michigan. Minnesota Mississippi Missouri	88	14	1,775	439	\$140,896	\$39,919
	872	80	18,281	3,730	\$1,836,130	\$422,666
	573	55	7,192	1,033	\$522,426	\$133,582
	300	26	6,726	628	\$501,561	\$78,367
	500	48	8,227	1,791	\$663,980	\$152,380
Montana	143	11	1,497	188	\$97,425	\$15,395
Nebraska	137	15	2,234	560	\$98,520	\$18,819
Nevada	60	7	784	181	\$113,991	\$34,901
New Hampshire	69	7	1,240	212	\$61,115	\$13,026
New Jersey	93	17	2,390	717	\$183,188	\$69,615
New Mexico New York North Carolina North Dakota Ohio	93	11	681	74	\$86,754	\$23,088
	608	60	11,770	1,743	\$865,994	\$197,814
	352	42	8,477	2,018	\$561,993	\$148,641
	81	7	1,127	228	\$91,150	\$17,844
	453	47	7,805	1,260	\$489,293	\$110,236
Oklahoma. Oregon Pennsylvania. Rhode Island South Carolina	288	41	5,698	1,341	\$422,999	\$147,265
	275	32	4,354	1,099	\$604,068	\$169,586
	752	65	12,806	1,822	\$648,246	\$168,211
	22	3	450	122	\$26,266	\$9,994
	243	23	6,517	1,201	\$350,233	\$75,400
South Dakota Tennessee Texas Utah Vermont	110	9	1,895	274	\$98,993	\$16,448
	381	36	9,972	2,467	\$824,891	\$239,492
	829	102	16,522	5,542	\$1,276,037	\$297,063
	115	16	1,564	460	\$170,172	\$64,697
	70	6	1,594	195	\$96,035	\$16,833
Virginia Washington West Virginia Wisconsin Wyoming	399	38	7,501	2,221	\$429,472	\$139,197
	259	43	4,828	1,455	\$341,719	\$124,367
	257	22	5,647	1,209	\$234,045	\$40,641
	598	57	10,342	2,580	\$1,428,174	\$250,467
	70	7	956	153	\$108,288	\$31,688

Table D-3. Approximate Standard Errors of Resident Nonresidential Participants, Days of Nonresidential Participation by State Residents, and Trip-Related Expenditures for Nonresidential Activities by State Residents

(Numbers in thousands)

Shaka	Participa	ntion	Days	<b>s</b>	Expenditures in dollars		
State	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error	Estimate	Standard error	
Alabama	259	30	3,187	614	\$68,569	\$15,683	
Alaska	128	17	2,531	507	\$104,983	\$21,322	
Arizona	432	52	7,405	3,649	\$162,431	\$49,991	
Arkansas	212	30	3,734	1,425	\$46,341	\$12,875	
California	2,391	323	31,795	9,133	\$1,579,434	\$385,072	
Colorado	603	67	9,754	2,243	\$320,791	\$108,916	
Connecticut	257	34	3,089	780	\$216,133	\$51,456	
Delaware	77	12	1,082	279	\$26,850	\$7,136	
Florida	1,088	136	12,760	3,004	\$490,757	\$132,886	
Georgia	553	56	5,788	1,339	\$247,096	\$50,348	
Hawaii	57	6	1,045	268	\$42,814	\$12,845	
Idaho	157	24	1,824	515	\$59,370	\$18,873	
Illinois	1,370	146	15,203	3,144	\$683,319	\$165,192	
Indiana	444	57	6,233	2,263	\$94,865	\$20,194	
Iowa	367	49	4,768	1,259	\$97,328	\$26,118	
Kansas	215	25	3,740	1,005	\$54,367	\$13,718	
Kentucky	357	44	6,007	2,717	\$81,991	\$22,979	
Louisiana	306	42	3,661	1,007	\$113,916	\$26,678	
Maine	140	22	1,297	331	\$28,781	\$5,803	
Maryland	528	61	7,554	1,632	\$329,798	\$96,876	
Massachusetts	697	120	10,581	2,363	\$255,819	\$68,357	
Michigan	1,075	142	16,765	4,220	\$394,150	\$114,120	
Minnesota	511	81	6,572	2,365	\$155,585	\$46,151	
Mississippi	100	16	1,812	762	\$51,479	\$19,296	
Missouri	528	68	8,410	3,616	\$163,227	\$45,386	
Montana	162	18	1,898	415	\$52,978	\$15,124	
Nebraska	192	21	2,170	601	\$49,183	\$11,644	
Nevada	121	17	1,585	460	\$62,666	\$18,950	
New Hampshire	169	21	3,501	1,038	\$43,201	\$14,227	
New Jersey	623	79	8,357	3,180	\$475,648	\$198,687	
New Mexico	186	21	2,732	1,334	\$43,620	\$12,952	
New York	1,027	132	10,731	2,779	\$291,798	\$84,528	
North Carolina	556	61	10,693	2,844	\$155,236	\$36,221	
North Dakota	40	5	422	105	\$9,969	\$2,664	
Ohio	921	127	11,716	2,886	\$196,586	\$56,321	
Oklahoma	289	42	6,079	2,952	\$81,166	\$24,652	
Oregon	408	54	5,511	1,350	\$179,301	\$52,096	
Pennsylvania	1,311	200	15,369	4,365	\$340,351	\$109,309	
Rhode Island	84	12	1,352	575	\$28,292	\$10,382	
South Carolina	274	28	3,369	805	\$94,479	\$22,800	
South Dakota	74	10	1,500	617	\$15,879	\$3,418	
Tennessee	401	54	3,683	1,051	\$154,491	\$58,213	
Texas	1,289	186	15,280	7,154	\$518,246	\$206,945	
Utah	220	27	1,787	296	\$53,985	\$15,045 \$8,004	
Vermont	96	13	2,087	555	\$23,582	·	
Virginia	757	97	5,857	1,594	\$241,240	\$70,011	
Washington	664	91	8,645	1,638	\$251,781	\$93,324	
West Virginia	127 691	15 99	1,760 9,511	458   3,970	\$21,640 \$163,476	\$5,486 \$72,601	
Wyoming.	86	11	925	200	\$23,089	\$6,646	
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Table D-4. a and b Parameters for Calculating Approximate Standard Errors of Sportsmen, Anglers, Hunters, and Wildlife-Watching Participants<sup>1</sup>

State	6 years old and	over	6 to 15 year olds only		
State	a	b	a	b	
United States	-0.0000293	7,036	-0.0001730	6,802	
Alabama	-0.0007658	3,006	-0.0045721	2,853	
Alaska	-0.0016494	891	-0.0078073	851	
Arizona	-0.0007435	2,905	-0.0035985	2,429	
Arkansas	-0.0015613	3,586	-0.0093159	3,568	
California	-0.0004437	12,684	-0.0021696	10,501	
Colorado	-0.0010526	3,678	-0.0054729	3,136	
Connecticut	-0.0004624	1,370	-0.0030619	1,384	
Delaware	-0.0007495	496	-0.0048252	497	
Florida	-0.0008158	10,724	-0.0052840	10,288	
Georgia	-0.0008276	5,497	-0.0046706	5,161	
Hawaii	-0.0007649	818	-0.0036491	624	
Idaho	-0.0019908	2,158	-0.0107087	2,206	
Illinois	-0.0005554	5,947	-0.0030051	5,259	
Indiana	-0.0007461	3,951	-0.0043700	3,697	
Iowa	-0.0011081	2,877	-0.0055425	2,350	
Kansas	-0.0014181	3,289	-0.0095877	3,883	
Kentucky	-0.0008677	3,095	-0.0050246	2,854	
Louisiana	-0.0013993	5,541	-0.0067735	4,965	
Maine	-0.0013646	1,565	-0.0089672	1,641	
Maryland	-0.0006731	3,125	-0.0038993	2,866	
Massachusetts	-0.0004201	2,322	-0.0025174	2,024	
Michigan	-0.0011076	9,650	-0.0065555	9,512	
Minnesota	-0.0018230	7,669	-0.0113093	8,301	
Mississippi	-0.0011869	2,942	-0.0063244	2,827	
Missouri	-0.0011350	5,510	-0.0071610	5,736	
Montana	-0.0016020	1,309	-0.0107517	1,559	
Nebraska	-0.0010324	1,539	-0.0059077	1,536	
Nevada	-0.0007191	1,034	-0.0045759	1,025	
New Hampshire	-0.0007429	787	-0.0041897	729	
New Jersey	-0.0004586	3,309	-0.0027233	2,982	
New Mexico	-0.0008985	1,407	-0.0042457	1,244	
New York	-0.0004135	6,802	-0.0024510	6,179	
North Carolina	-0.0009739	6,451	-0.0077718	8,005	
North Dakota	-0.0013156	769	-0.0105784	1,079	
Ohio	-0.0006359	6,467	-0.0040206	6,638	
Oklahoma	-0.0017508	5,258	-0.0086514	4,542	
Oregon	-0.0010579	3,113	-0.0057919	2,728	
Pennsylvania	-0.0006440	7,068	-0.0045985	7,730	
Rhode Island	-0.0004340	387	-0.0027388	367	
South Carolina	-0.0007407	2,510	-0.0039015	2,138	
South Dakota	-0.0013538	898	-0.0093934	1,146	
Tennessee	-0.0009665	4,710	-0.0063386	4,792	
Texas	-0.0009775	16,780	-0.0049099	15,196	
Utah	-0.0010417	1,856	-0.0033747	1,306	
Vermont	-0.0013854	751	-0.0099425	865	
Virginia	-0.0007734	4,710	-0.0040605	3,760	
Washington	-0.0010698	5,389	-0.0060313	5,012	
West Virginia	-0.0012417	2,129	-0.0084177	2,096	
Wisconsin	-0.0015108	7,090	-0.0085200	6,833	
Wyoming	-0.0018715	840	-0.0090238	758	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>These parameters are to be used only to calculate estimates of standard errors for characteristics developed from the screening sample.

Table D-5. a and b Parameters for Calculating Approximate Standard Errors of Levels for the Detailed Sportsmen Sample

State	Sportsmen and	anglers 16+	Hunters 16+		
State	a	b	a	b	
United States	-0.000040	7,950	-0.000015	5,818	
Alabama	-0.001402	3,972	-0.000628	2,797	
Alaska	-0.001751	923	-0.001244	764	
Arizona	-0.001249	3,555	-0.000187	2,190	
Arkansas	-0.002147	4,216	-0.001824	3,869	
California	-0.000733	14,753	-0.000529	13,292	
Colorado	-0.000886	3,430	-0.001837	4,844	
Connecticut	-0.000783	1,637	-0.000336	1,265	
Delaware	-0.000931	539	-0.001384	646	
Florida	-0.000784	10,579	-0.000594	9,725	
Georgia	-0.000936	5,750	-0.000267	4,186	
Hawaii	-0.000829	837	-0.000660	787	
Idaho	-0.001461	1,852	-0.001478	1,862	
Illinois	-0.001269	8,507	-0.000549	5,923	
Indiana	-0.000783	4,024	-0.000375	3,209	
Iowa	-0.001202	2,989	-0.000220	1,823	
Kansas	-0.001474	3,340	-0.001195	3,086	
Kentucky	-0.001453	3,935	-0.001783	4,408	
Louisiana	-0.001338	5,444	-0.000572	4,229	
Maine	-0.001160	1,465	-0.001046	1,409	
Maryland	-0.000587	3,004	-0.000126	2,354	
Massachusetts	-0.001367	3,732	-0.000390	2,277	
Michigan	-0.000980	9,209	-0.000615	7,944	
Minnesota	-0.001842	7,710	-0.000917	5,755	
Mississippi	-0.001589	3,357	-0.000709	2,449	
Missouri	-0.001327	5,904	-0.000891	5,010	
Montana	-0.000963	1,048	-0.000961	1,047	
Nebraska	-0.001551	1,835	-0.001693	1,916	
Nevada	-0.001152	1,247	-0.000461	907	
New Hampshire	-0.001313	996	-0.000508	701	
New Jersey	-0.000993	4,319	-0.000417	3,230	
New Mexico	-0.000960	1,443	-0.000661	1,267	
New York	-0.000449	6,946	-0.000244	6,109	
North Carolina	-0.001480	7,686	-0.000462	5,203	
North Dakota	-0.001258	753	-0.000784	621	
Ohio	-0.000479	5,945	-0.000206	5,040	
Oklahoma	-0.001628	5,086	-0.002761	6,678	
Oregon	-0.001539	3,735	-0.001882	4,179	
Pennsylvania	-0.000913	7,956	-0.000262	5,806	
Rhode Island	-0.000950	513	-0.000664	443	
South Carolina	-0.001246	3,184	-0.000530	2,229	
South Dakota	-0.002456	1,262	-0.001127	823	
Tennessee	-0.000148	3,323	-0.000304	3,587	
Texas	-0.001283	18,641	-0.000320	12,769	
Utah	-0.000729	1,629	-0.001987	2,542	
Vermont	-0.001324	738	-0.000788	625	
Virginia	-0.000551	4,219	-0.000324	3,719	
Washington	-0.003472	10,616	-0.002192	7,830	
West Virginia	-0.000612	1,688	-0.001310	2,177	
Wisconsin	-0.000735	5,548	-0.001007	6,088	
Wyoming	-0.001124	653	-0.002247	934	

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Table D-6. a, b, and c Parameters for Calculating Approximate Standard Errors for Expenditures for the Detailed Sportsmen Sample

G	Sportsm	en and anglers	16+	Hunters 16+			
State	a	b	С	a	b	C	
United States	0.000150	-192,623	34,364	0.000277	-478,142	33,707	
Alabama	0.022140	-31,979	7,632	0.041030	-34,071	5,795	
Alaska	0.023245	-15,072	1,467	0.043010	-17,754	1,016	
Arizona	0.025451	-1,413	4,134	0.073680	-289,994	5,746	
Arkansas	0.046100 0.020212	-35,277 -180,816	6,033 28,097	0.128750 0.121120	-223,947 -136,518	4,961 11,478	
Colorado	0.027113	-31,215	6,499	0.126930	-19,131	3,212	
Connecticut	0.014369	-20,672	3,246	0.051520	30,475	1,407	
Delaware	0.019906	-3,294	842	0.035500	-5,858	785	
Florida	0.018422	-54,019	21,952	0.051760	-276,536	15,998	
Georgia	0.017194	38,491	10,236	0.077200	-264,814	8,387	
Hawaii	0.019313	-3,794	1,361	0.086390	-1,253	797	
Idaho	0.016458	-19,925	3,682	0.026210	-102,915	3,831	
Illinois	0.023997	-118,822	16,341	0.027055	-235,002	10,288	
Indiana	0.008054	-37,770	7,805	0.044360	-113,025	5,115	
Iowa	0.016916	-4,999	3,458	0.005885	-88,869	4,861	
Kansas	0.033115	-5,365	2,597	0.094000	-144,269	3,670	
Kentucky	0.033294	-35,489	6,480	0.031030	-211,390	9,091	
Louisiana	0.012738	-6,921	10,247	0.077410	-178,559	8,417	
Maine	0.051020	-11,191	2,468	0.118050	-62,158	3,145	
Maryland	0.043650	-36,620	5,657	0.068670	-9,067	2,690	
Massachusetts	0.022765	-70,099	6,656	0.011280	-40,800	5,986	
Michigan	0.017766	-94,006	17,933	0.021460	-386,383	27,458	
Minnesota	0.016251	-2,890	10,828	0.045130	-194,991	11,809	
Mississippi	0.016620	-34,650	7,371	-0.001980	-78,252	7,986	
Missouri	0.031920	-38,417	8,626	0.023030	-171,746	14,407	
Montana	0.012655	-4,035	1,384	0.009135	1,629	2,229	
Nebraska	0.019808	-3,439	1,803	0.015060	21,116	2,870	
Nevada	0.006082	-11,623	2,767	0.073300	-57,009	1,223	
New Hampshire	0.060070	-13,210	1,758	0.020440	-20,168	1,638	
New Jersey	0.019375	-108,500	10,322	0.089840	-152,277	5,197	
New Mexico	0.029329	-4,702	1,937	0.055030	-40,824	1,474	
New York	0.013940	-128,454	20,807	0.028680	-107,377	14,284	
North Carolina	0.038160	-174,985	18,106	0.046780	1,355	8,152	
North Dakota	0.021979	-777	752	0.024171	-23,882	1,149	
Ohio	0.018212	-76,116	14,481	0.011040	-360,018	17,181	
Oklahoma	0.043300	-88,548	10,547	0.098030	-41,671	6,498	
Oregon	0.008560	-61,773	11,911	0.054460	-223,614	6,661	
Pennsylvania	0.009523	-138,047	20,372	0.053860	-155,572	10,311	
Rhode Island	0.048180	-10,693	1,055	0.126010	-18,309	422	
South Carolina	0.032550	-49,811	6,362	0.019070	185,472	6,243	
South Dakota	0.008600	-27,856	3,357	0.014299	574	1,458	
Tennessee	0.022255	-24,179	6,024	0.047520	-469,509	13,865	
Texas	0.032800	-300,879	38,595	0.019380	-347,416	29,092	
Utah	0.009578 0.007530	-16,645 -20,073	$   \begin{array}{c c}     3,479 \\     2,991   \end{array} $	0.112610 0.012590	-242,080 39,217	3,839 1,230	
Virginia	0.007276	-173,725	16,133	0.089620	-203,860	6,212	
Washington	0.033116	-38,664	8,578	0.105180	-41,288	6,989	
West Virginia	0.018591	-28,940	4,606	0.012360	-42,917	4,494	
Wisconsin	0.011515	-92,109	11,387	0.013420	-129,738	10,352	
Wyoming	0.022142	-1,139	914	0.070790	-32,872	1,042	

Table D-7. a, b, and c Parameters for Calculating Approximate Standard Errors for Days or Trips for the Detailed Sportsmen Sample

Charles	Sportsmo	en and anglers 1	6+	I	Hunters 16+	
State	a	b	с	a	b	с
United States	-0.000487	-324,198	68,529	0.000284	-64,721	20,674
Alabama	-0.011070	-11,692	13,572	0.056950	-1,149	4,361
Alaska	0.033200	-490	902	0.011283	-2,292	1,633
Arizona	0.056570	4,289	1,496	0.092450	-2,138	2,510
Arkansas	0.013786	2,864	3,940	0.104810	-7,656	5,216
California	0.029946	-4,196	10,727	0.126460	-18,167	11,833
Colorado	0.005428	-2,711	5,203	0.073060	-15,717	7,066
Connecticut	0.003347	-2,052	3,505	0.043562	-1,460	1,594
Delaware	0.007255	-490	812	0.107830	-1,125	758
Florida	0.013367	-24,334	31,352	0.050630	-11,393	12,144
Georgia	-0.002390	-20,940	25,606	0.009602	-4,615	8,856
Hawaii	0.030060	-1,400	1,521	0.031530	-464	1,088
Idaho	-0.004433	-18,648	8,978	0.012581	-5,338	3,657
Illinois	0.001066	-31,929	21,399	0.010252	-13,269	10,598
Indiana	-0.005908	-10,895	13,612	0.043800 -0.005814	-5,762	4,346
Iowa	-0.006627	-4,499	6,572		-6,150	5,151
Kansas	0.072300	-1,103	2,570	0.075350	-3,708	3,786
Kentucky	-0.000490	-4,426	6,283	0.005267	-9,012	6,791
Louisiana	0.027440	-12,750	15,168	-0.008006	-11,412	9,108
Maine	0.009860	-5,593	3,254	0.055710	-5,057	2,588
Maryland	0.050010	-3,282	5,469	0.022913	-2,192	3,737
Massachusetts	0.026976	-1,916	3,299	0.026656	-1,886	3,137
Michigan	0.013471	-64,347	26,902	0.024363	-8,048	15,439
Minnesota	0.067180	-14,162	13,867	0.003570	-3,330	10,044
Mississippi	0.002499	-3,774	5,306	-0.006274	-3,468	4,651
Missouri	-0.013391	-20,814	23,469	0.032758	-3,368	7,531
Montana	0.007369	-729	1,403	0.002089	-3,220	2,255
Nebraska	-0.001529	-2,946	3,633	0.052340	-617	1,483
Nevada	0.008313	-1,068	1,857	0.032699	-1,208	1,338
New Hampshire	0.021018	-749	1,202	0.011513	-764	1,264
New Jersey	0.006822	-20,863	12,441	0.040160	-7,095	4,902
New Mexico	0.058190	-319	1,665	-0.006373	507	1,618
New York	0.006621	-75,595	25,019	0.005049	-13,667	10,969
North Carolina	0.026990	-7,929	13,144	0.026400	-5,933	10,903
North Dakota	0.000737	-1,235	1,770	0.030689	-488	875
Ohio	-0.008811	-17,533	22,138	0.006268	-4,917	9,261
Oklahoma	-0.004210	-22,761	23,462	0.022440	-12,402	10,113
Oregon	-0.003514	-13,057	12,352	0.047340	-8,303	5,034
Pennsylvania	-0.004771	-29,038	20,722	0.005890	-13,456	11,579
Rhode Island	0.035533	-488	716	0.055023	16	418
South Carolina	0.016055	-1,772	3,332	0.012010	-7,443	5,606
South Dakota	-0.012421	-2,325	3,881	0.006947	264	1,520
Tennessee	-0.010925	-15,873	20,791	0.043900	-14,556	7,158
Texas	0.064330	-20,030	28,511	0.093890	-7,271	15,821
Utah	-0.010885	-7,389	6,213	0.061040	-6,144	3,385
Vermont	-0.011266	-3,627	2,815	-0.002376	-458	1,235
Virginia	0.035180	125,224	-9,283	0.072310	388	6,109
Washington	0.036450	61,568	6,373	0.053870	-15,132	10,384
West Virginia	0.014927	-1,405	2,899	0.033992	-1,412	3,115
Wisconsin	-0.002327	-13,236	11,393	0.044300	-29,411	12,437
Wyoming	0.002976	-753	1,220	0.003873	-1,048	1,592

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Table D-8. a and b Parameters for Calculating Approximate Standard Errors of Levels of Wildlife-Watching Participants for the Detailed Wildlife-Watching Participants Sample

State	Nonresidential	users	All wildlife-watching participants <sup>1</sup>		
	a	b	a	b	
United States	-0.000276	25,931	-0.000305	28,168	
Alabama	-0.001433	3,758	-0.002465	4,921	
Alaska	-0.014534	4,139	-0.015101	4,282	
Arizona	-0.005141	8,512	-0.004974	8,299	
Arkansas	-0.003210	4,887	-0.004132	5,615	
California	-0.006775	59,801	-0.008521	72,793	
Colorado	-0.005938	10,978	-0.013074	21,640	
Connecticut	-0.005230	5,813	-0.007233	7,680	
Delaware	-0.009246	2,459	-0.008584	2,306	
Florida	-0.003500	20,728	-0.006692	32,623	
Georgia	-0.001243	6,315	-0.001948	7,705	
Hawaii	-0.000145	693	-0.000308	726	
Idaho	-0.007455	4,802	-0.008880	5,492	
Illinois	-0.005391	22,958	-0.007053	28,807	
Indiana	-0.003253	8,771	-0.005209	12,532	
Iowa	-0.007071	9,220	-0.006115	8,203	
Kansas	-0.001433	3,300	-0.003303	4,700	
Kentucky	-0.004163	6,866	-0.003590	6,210	
Louisiana	-0.002342	6,532	-0.003035	7,261	
Maine	-0.007341	4,524	-0.007111	4,410	
Maryland	-0.004920	9,619	-0.005532	10,555	
Massachusetts	-0.017685	32,902	-0.012769	24,195	
Michigan	-0.005775	24,896	-0.007232	29,654	
Minnesota	-0.007326	16,496	-0.005645	13,799	
Mississippi	-0.000510	2,528	-0.001380	3,060	
Missouri	-0.003803	10,811	-0.005533	14,250	
Montana	-0.006528	3,155	-0.009016	4,087	
Nebraska	-0.004063	3,104	-0.005025	3,601	
Nevada	-0.005595	2,961	-0.006091	3,157	
New Hampshire	-0.007437	3,782	-0.010707	5,245	
New Jersey	-0.005500	13,386	-0.008007	18,395	
New Mexico	-0.004430	3,118	-0.005759	3,762	
New York	-0.003815	20,825	-0.007202	34,790	
North Carolina	-0.001502	7,617	-0.002002	8,721	
North Dakota	-0.001385	781	-0.002006	888	
Ohio	-0.005364	22,355	-0.007372	29,104	
Oklahoma	-0.003454	7,195	-0.001870	5,394	
Oregon	-0.007073	10,056	-0.011343	14,985	
Pennsylvania	-0.011110	45,226	-0.014233	56,614	
Rhode Island	-0.007440	2,262	-0.009585	2,836	
South Carolina	-0.001651	3,399	-0.001422	3,176	
South Dakota	-0.005296	1,781	-0.004510	1,605	
Tennessee	-0.003042	8,360	-0.004086	10,197	
Texas	-0.004424	32,407	-0.004044	30,685	
Utah	-0.005642	4,613	-0.006619	5,198	
Vermont	-0.009714	2,822	-0.010510	3,020	
Virginia	-0.006274	17,138	-0.006328	17,260	
Washington	-0.006308	16,668	-0.007175	18,535	
West Virginia	-0.000729	1,840	-0.001846	2,470	
Wisconsin	-0.007849	19,480	-0.008227	20,218	
Wyoming	-0.009622	2,285	-0.007294	1,851	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Use these parameters for: total wildlife-watching participants and residential users.

Table D-9. a, b, and c Parameters for Calculating Approximate Standard Errors for Expenditures and Days or Trips for Wildlife-Watching Participants

State	I	Expenditures		Days or trips			
State	a	b	c	a	b	с	
United States	0.002397	54,854	59,894	0.004371	-26,991	38,946	
Alabama	0.036681	-18,572	3,935	0.011362	-3,080	6,929	
Alaska	0.033200	-489	902	0.033200	-490	902	
Arizona	0.085600	-24,154	3,865	0.232510	-7,261	4,855	
Arkansas	0.039340	-17,237	7,682	0.126590	-6,938	4,442	
California	0.035321	1,067,697	50,145	0.052960	-492,479	107,684	
Colorado	0.048110	-591,648	39,405	0.017830	-20,910	22,425	
Connecticut	0.032120	-21,061	5,992	0.042120	-5,381	6,004	
Delaware	0.027760	-22,636	2,973	0.003640	-10,483	5,591	
Florida	0.031830	-262,997	42,131	0.017280	-64,794	47,008	
Georgia	0.013884	-70,051	15,019	0.031240	-23,045	14,502	
Hawaii	0.064090	-15,686	1,341	0.038060	-2,779	1,738	
Idaho	0.074700	-41,520	4,112	0.052940	-2,501	4,439	
Illinois	0.032820	-136,223	32,872	0.027820	58,516	15,204	
Indiana	0.006691	-40,890	16,403	0.122280	615	4,192	
Iowa	0.042340	2,565	9,634	0.019080	-25,174	20,514	
Kansas	0.049730	28,458	2,682	0.046990	-3,368	5,621	
Kentucky	0.057270	-82,495	7,466	0.190170	-34,160	7,178	
Louisiana	0.015699	-56,977	11,140	0.057300	-3,617	5,930	
Maine	0.014378	32,335	3,270	0.051680	15,634	175	
Maryland	0.030510	-305,840	24,949	0.024640	-17,150	12,820	
Massachusetts	0.037380	-61,675	20,522	-0.005400	-76,328	43,555	
Michigan	0.061770	-196,154	22,084	0.029460	-37,292	38,827	
Minnesota	0.037860	-560,903	26,760	0.112360	-726	8,805	
Mississippi	0.097820	-25,306	3,928	0.147200	-4,425	3,214	
Missouri	0.051350	-307,535	14,174	0.138350	-83,740	29,824	
Montana	0.060400	-10,180	3,130	0.025541	-6,368	4,142	
Nebraska	0.022050	-40,731	6,287	0.038910	7,544	6,580	
Nevada	0.068910	-18,553	2,740	0.059320	-4,583	3,379	
New Hampshire	0.073310	-15,254	5,644	0.020010	-11,117	12,021	
New Jersey	0.149260	-108,166	14,765	0.127580	-3,798	11,031	
New Mexico	0.071300	-19,200	3,055	0.219380	659	3,498	
New York	0.067090	264,223	15,441	0.033550	-33,800	37,645	
North Carolina	0.023769	-75,748	15,550	0.049300	-20,978	13,008	
North Dakota	0.032330	-1,750	1,453	0.020354	-1,274	1,794	
Ohio	0.032960	-396,988	40,707	0.041190	22,105	16,194	
Oklahoma	0.069700	-20,480	5,997	0.204660	-13,045	9,633	
Oregon	0.059410	-49,805	9,458	0.020200	-30,808	18,514	
Pennsylvania	0.082590	295,032	21,758	0.039050	-55,252	59,257	
Rhode Island	0.110000	-26,416	2,010	0.166510	-285	1,206	
South Carolina	0.040330	-19,536	4,583	0.029840	-26,641	9,633	
South Dakota	0.030560	16,289	974	0.144230	-15,927	2,616	
Tennessee	0.106240	-192,365	13,204	0.045640	-19,985	16,505	
Texas	0.130150	-261,303	31,449	0.207090	5,535	15,119	
Utah	0.051580	-4,059	5,598	-0.003608	-2,355	7,127	
Vermont	0.096280	-1,490	1,518	0.035450	10,053	2,920	
Virginia	0.063470	4,565	14,349	0.054850	-13,451	16,263	
Washington	0.100400	15,783	22,301	-0.004180	-17,728	27,976	
West Virginia	0.031242	-12,231	3,829	0.037480	-9,680	4,534	
Wisconsin	0.197550	360,528	-1,524	0.159790	-15,203	11,080	
Wyoming	0.056740	-26,047	2,288	0.020139	-13,601	3,552	

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